

# 87TH STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 87<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSION: **RECAP**



- 7,148 bills and joint resolutions filed and reviewed by IGRO
- 15% of filed bills & joint resolutions ultimately passed
  - This is a reduced passage rate of 5% from previous sessions
  - 67% of passed bills filed by Republicans & 33% filed by Democrats
- 21 vetoes by the governor.
- IGRO tracked 2,254 bills and joint resolutions

# 87<sup>TH</sup> SPECIAL SESSIONS: **STATISTICS**



## 1st Called Session

- July 8 – Aug. 6
- **405** bills & joint resolutions filed & reviewed IGRO
- No bills passed

## 2nd Called Session

- Aug. 7 – Sept. 2
- **380** bills & joint resolutions filed & reviewed IGRO
- **15** bills & joint resolutions passed

## 3rd Called Session

- Sept. 20 – Oct 19
- **249** bills & joint resolutions filed & reviewed IGRO
- **11** bills & joint resolutions passed

# 87<sup>TH</sup> PASSED BILLS: **NEGATIVE FOR CITY**



**City Police Funding  
HB 1900 (Goldman)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

**Camping Ban  
HB 1925 (Capriglione)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

**No Contracts : Firearm  
Boycott  
SB 19 (Schwertner)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

**Permitless Carry  
HB 1927 (Schaefer)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

# 87<sup>TH</sup> PASSED BILLS: POSITIVE FOR THE CITY



## APRS Pensions

HB 4368 (Rodriguez)

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

## Cloud Computing

SB 58 (Zaffirini)

*Effective June 3, 2021*

## Local Health Department Medicaid

SB 73 (Miles)

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

# 87<sup>TH</sup> BILLS **FAILED** TO PASS: **POSITIVE FOR CITY**



## Community Advocacy

SB 10 (Hall)

## AE Rates

SB 566 (Buckingham)

HB 2775 (Cain)

## Super Preemption

HB 610 (Swanson)

HB 3909 (Harris)

## Lake Austin Disannexation

SB 659 (Buckingham)

HB 1653 (Craddick )

## West Rim Disannexation

HB 2776 (Deshotel)

## Lost Creek Disannexation

SB 1499 (Buckingham)

HB 3827 (Wilson)

## Noise Ordinance Preemption

HB 3813 (Harris)

## Homeless Housing

SB 646 & SB 796  
(Schwertner)

HB 1803 (Wilson)

## Employment Preemption

SB 14 (Creighton)

# 87<sup>TH</sup> BILLS **FAILED** TO PASS: **POSITIVE FOR CITY**



## ETJ Regulation

HB 1885 (Harris)

## Pandemic Response

HB 3 (Burrows)

## Confederate Monuments

HB 2713 (Hefner)

## MOU Deregulation

SB 182 (Schwertner)

# 87<sup>TH</sup> PASSED BILLS: ENVIRONMENTAL



## Gas Preemption

HB 17 (Deshotel)

*Effective May 18, 2021*

## TPWD & TX Water Trust

HB 2225 (King, Tracy)

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

## No State Contracts: Fossil Fuel Boycott

SB 13 (Hughes)

*Effective June 14, 2021*



# 87<sup>TH</sup> BILLS **FAILED** TO PASS: **ENVIRONMENTAL**



## TCEQ Penalties

HB 1820 (Zwiener)

*House Calendar Deadline*

## Gas Preemption

HB 1501 (Dean)

*Point of Order (Zweiner)*

## Office of Environmental Justice

HB 1191 (Goodwin) /

SB 1294 (Eckhardt)

*Neither bill received a hearing*

## Greenhouse Gas Regulation Preemption

SB 1261 (Birdwell)

*House Calendar Deadline*

## Pipeline Preemption / Barton Springs

HB 1683 (Landgraf)

*Fixed by Author in Committee*

*Passed House / No Senate Hearing*

# 88<sup>TH</sup> SESSION: CHANGES



- Changes in Senate membership & leadership
- Potentially 40 new members in House
- Austin delegation changes and committee assignments
- Interim charges likely after March primary

# QUESTIONS?



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Agenda:

<https://www.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=347683>

# 87<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS: **APPENDIX**



- Bills Impacting People Experiencing Homelessness
- Police Funding Bills

# 87<sup>TH</sup> **BILLS IMPACTING THE HOMELESS**



## Camping Ban

HB 1925 (Capriglione)

*Effective September 1, 2021*

- City must submit a plan for approval by TDHCA to designate a property for encampment. Designation of public parks is prohibited.
- Offense is a Class C misdemeanor. Officers must make reasonable effort to connect persons to designated encampment and services.
- Local entities cannot have policies that prohibit or discourage enforcement of the ban nor can they discourage peace officers or prosecuting attorneys from enforcing the ban.
- Policies that encourage diversion or provision of services in lieu of citation or arrest are allowed.
- *HB 1925 Contingency Rider NOT included in the final appropriations act.*
- *City submitted comments on TDHCA rules for encampment for public comment*

## Purchase / Conversion: County Approval

- **SB 646 (Schwertner)**
- *Vote failed in House Committee*
  
- **HB 1803 (Wilson)**
- *Procedurally Dead: House Calendar Deadline*

## Purchase / Conversion: Notice

- **SB 796 (Schwertner)**
- *Vote failed in House Committee*

# 87<sup>TH</sup> POLICE FUNDING



## City Police Funding

HB 1900 (Goldman)

*Effective September 1, 2021*

- Applies only to municipalities over 250,000
- “Defunding municipality” reduces appropriation to police department compared to previous budget. [lower than the larger of previous two years’ budgets until 2023]
- Determined by Office of Governor’s Criminal Justice Division (“CJD”). Some exceptions allowed at discretion of CJD
- **Penalties:**
  - Dis-annexation elections and prohibition on annexations.
  - Must use lowest property tax rate (generally no-new-revenue rate) for upcoming year
  - Annual sales tax distribution decreased by amount determined by CJD that State spent to provide law enforcement services to City.
  - Increase contributions to APRS such that the combined City and member contributions are no less than the combined City and member contributions in FY2021.
  - AE & AWU rates capped at January 2021 levels unless utilities stop providing any funding to the City through transfers.

## County Funding

SB 23 (Huffman)

Applies only to counties  
over 1 million

*Effective January 1, 2022*

9 other  
“defunding”  
bills did not pass

Thank you

