

2023 LIST OF 88R APPROVED LEGISLATIVE BILLS (As Monitored by APATX Advocacy Committee)

APATX Position	Bill #/ Link	Sponsored By	Caption/APATX Comments	Effective Date	APATX Advocacy Subcommittee
Oppose	HB 14	Harris (R-Palestine)	Provides for applicant's 3rd party review of development document (plat, plan, permit) or inspection if 15 days past statutory deadline	9/1/2023	Development Character
Support	HB 586	E. Thompson (R-Pearland)	Relating to municipal annexation of certain rights-of-way.	Immediately	Annexation & ETJ
Support	HB 697	Holland (R-Rockwall)	Relating to seller's disclosures regarding fuel gas piping in residential real property.	9/1/2023	Environment
Support With Amendments	HB 898	Stucky (R-Denton)	Relating to the offense of passing certain vehicles on a highway; increasing a criminal penalty.	9/1/2023	Transportation
Support	HB 1193	Turner (D-Grand Prairie)	Relating to prohibiting housing discrimination by a property owners' association against a residential tenant based on the tenant's method of payment.	9/1/2023	Housing
Support	HB 1381	Hernandez (D-Houston)	Changes the public hearing requirement for a preliminary zoning report by a zoning commission to "at least one" rather than "hearings." Streamlines the public hearing process	9/1/2023	Development Character
Oppose	HB 1526	Harris (R-Palestine)	Regulates parkland dedication process for property development by cities over 800,000; authorizing a fee.	9/1/2023	Environment
Oppose	HB 1750	Burns (R-Cleburne)	Limits City license or permit requirements on agricultural operations including veterinary services.	9/1/2023	Development Character
Support	HB 1885	Canales (D-Edinburg)	Relating to the authority of the Texas Transportation Commission to establish variable speed limits.	9/1/2023	Transportation
Oppose	HB 1922	Dutton (D-Houston)	Relating to periodic reauthorization of building permit fees (Expires after 10 yrs, Council can reauthorize after public hearing)	9/1/2023	Development Character
Oppose	HB 2127	Burrows (R-Lubbock)	State preemption - Cities and counties may not adopt ordinances related to TX Agriculture, Finance, Insurance, Labor, Natural Resources or Occupations codes. (Oil & gas, pawnshops, etc.?)	9/1/2023	Development Character
Support	HB 2706	Shine (R-Temple)	Regulation of manufactured homes. TDCA can waive licensing requirements during a declared emergency, exemption to retailer's license if sales are located in a manufactured home community.	9/1/2023	Housing
Support	HB 2956	Shine (R-Temple)	Relating to municipal annexation of an area adjacent to contiguous or connecting railroad rights-of-way.	9/1/2023	Annexation & ETJ
Oppose	HB 3053	Dean (R-Longview)	Cities over 500,000 w/no military base must hold disannexation election for areas annexed between 3.3.2015 & 1.1.2017.	9/1/2023	Annexation & ETJ
Oppose	HB 3297	Harris (R-Palestine)	Elimination of regular mandatory vehicle safety inspections for noncommercial vehicles and the imposition of replacement fees.	1/1/2025	Transportation
Oppose	HB 3526	Raymond (D-Laredo)	Relating to the application of a municipal or county building code to the construction of a solar pergola. (cannot enforce building codes)	9/1/2023	Development Character
Support	HB 3558	Perez (D-Houston)	Relating to the operation of a motor vehicle at an intersection with a stop sign.	9/1/2023	Transportation
Support	HB 3582	Harris (R-Palestine)	Relating to the composition and use of money in the flood infrastructure fund.	9/1/2023	Environment
Neutral	HB 3697	Wilson (R-Marble Falls)	Relating to county regulation of subdivisions and approval of subdivision plans or plats. (Plat requirements, posting list of required documents on internet, limits requiring non-TXDOT corridors)	9/1/2023	Development Character
Oppose	HB 3699	Wilson (R-Marble Falls)	Regulation of city subdivisions, approval of subdivision plans or plats, ROW dedications. (No ROW for future street unless funded, limits application documents and use of completeness check. Adds HB866 - removes "plans" from 30-day "shot clock" & provides for administrative approval of all plats) Amended at last minute.	9/1/2023	Development Character

Support	HB 4018	Ashby (R-Lufkin)	Relating to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department management of state-owned lands in developing and securing carbon credits and dedication of generated funds for the conservation of those lands.	9/1/2023	Environment
Support	HB 4885	Landgraf (R-Odessa)	Relating to the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan.	9/1/2023	Transportation
Support	SB 28	Perry (R-Lubbock)	Relating to financial assistance provided and programs administered by the Texas Water Development Board. (*Sec 6 of bill also requires constitutional amendment)	9/1/2023*	Environment
Oppose with Amendments	SB 505	Nichols (R-Jacksonville)	Relating to imposing an additional fee for the registration of an electric vehicle. (\$400 registration, \$200 renewal)	9/1/2023	Transportation
Oppose with Amendments	SB 543	Blanco (D-El Paso)	Relating to conveyance of property by a municipality for public purpose of economic development. (CH 380 agmts shall require property to be used to promote public purpose, cannot transfer public square or park, or property acquired by eminent domain)	9/1/2023	Economic Development/ Redevelopment
Oppose	SB 784	Birdwell (R-Granbury)	Relating to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state to regulate greenhouse gas emissions in this state and the express preemption of local regulation of those emissions.	9/1/2023	Environment
Oppose	SB 929	Parker (R-Flower Mound)	Cities must give notice to owners & renters of any potential nonconforming uses created by zoning text & classification changes. Adds compensation as alternative to amortization of nonconforming use @ option of owner + relocation expenses. Redefines Market value to be paid or amortized.	Immediately	Development Character
Oppose	SB 1017	Birdwell (R-Granbury)	Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to regulate an energy source or engine. (Prohibits political subdivisions from restricting the use, sale, or lease of an engine based on fuel source)	9/1/2023	Environment
Support	SB 1332	Huffman (R-Houston)	Relating to provision of funding to Texas Historical Commission for state historic sites. (Raises courthouse project max to \$10M. Creates Trust Fund to maintain, preserve, restore historic sites)	9/1/2023	Development Character
Oppose with Amendments	SB 1794	Menendez (D San Antonio)	Relating to conditions imposed on emergency services district that includes territory in ETJ of certain municipalities.	9/1/2023	Annexation & ETJ
Oppose	SB 1860	Hughes (R-Mineola)	Relating to the adoption of a climate policy in a municipal charter. (Amends LGC Sec.9.0015, require municipal charter commissions to receive authorization by state agency to enact comprehensive ordinance, rule, or other policy statement to address climate change or environmental impact on water, energy, emission)	9/1/2023	Environment
Oppose	SB 2038	Bettencourt (R-Houston)	Relating to release of an area from a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction by petition or election. (Amended w/several caveats exempting ETJ area around military bases or w/in industrial district designation or strategic partnership agmt)	9/1/2023	Annexation & ETJ
Support	SJR 74	Parker (R-Flower Mound)	Proposing constitutional amendment providing for creation of centennial parks conservation fund to be administered by Parks and Wildlife Department.	Election 11/7/2023	Environment