

## SUMMARIES -- 83rd LEGISLATURE -- 2013

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**Bill Number:** HB 0005      **Caption:** relating to public school accountability, including assessment, and curriculum requirements; providing a criminal penalty  
**Effective Date:** 6-10-2013  
**Application:** ED 25.092 applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year;

**Bill Number:** HB 0035      **Caption:** relating to the authority of a property owners' association to regulate the use of certain lots for residential purposes  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0062      **Caption:** relating to a justice or judge having an interest in a business entity that owns, manages, or operates a private correctional or rehabilitation facility  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2015  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0115      **Caption:** relating to identification numbers on vessels  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0174      **Caption:** relating to creating American Indian Heritage Day  
**Effective Date:** 5-10-13  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0200      **Caption:** relating to liability of certain electric utilities that allow certain uses of land that the electric utility owns, occupies, or leases  
**Effective Date:** 5-16-13  
**Application:** Applies only to a cause of action that accrues on or after 5-16-13  
Applies only to an electric utility located in a county with a population of 4 million or more

**Bill Number:** HB 0232      **Caption:** relating to allowing certain minors convicted of certain alcohol offenses to perform community service instead of attending an alcohol awareness program  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0333      **Caption:** relating to requiring notice of a hotel's firearms policy and other guest policies; providing a criminal penalty  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

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**Bill Number:** HB 0338      **Caption:** relating to the court in which a hearing regarding the towing of a motor vehicle may be held  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a cause of action filed on or after 6-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0346      **Caption:** relating to the accessing and use of electronically readable personal identification information obtained from driver's licenses or personal identification certificates  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0347      **Caption:** relating to prohibiting using a wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle on school property  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0389      **Caption:** relating to the enforcement of spousal maintenance agreements and property distribution agreements incident to divorce or annulment  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to the enforcement of a property division and any contractual provisions under the terms of an agreement incident to divorce or annulment regardless of whether the agreement was approved or the decree was rendered before, on, or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0419      **Caption:** relating to designating the first Friday in November as Texas Arbor Day  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0438      **Caption:** relating to the courts authorized to issue an occupational driver's license  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to an occupational driver's license that is applied for on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0455      **Caption:** relating to excused absences from public school for certain students  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies beginning with 2013-2014 school year

**Bill Number:** HB 0483      **Caption:** relating to a public hearing held on the issue of making a payment in excess of the compensation contracted for by a political subdivision  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a payment made by a political subdivision on or after 6-2-1013

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**Bill Number:** HB 0487      **Caption:** relating to liability of certain persons assisting in man-made or natural disasters  
**Effective Date:** 5-24-13  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0489      **Caption:** relating to rights and responsibilities of persons with disabilities, including with respect to the use of service animals that provide assistance to those persons; providing penalties  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:** HB 121.004 applies only to an offense committed on or after 1-1-2014

**Bill Number:** HB 0489 Page 2 o      **Caption:** relating to rights and responsibilities of persons with disabilities, including with respect to the use of service animals that provide assistance to those persons; providing penalties  
**Effective Date:**  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0503      **Caption:** relating to the ability of a property owners' association to contract with an association board member or certain other persons or entities associated with the board member  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a contract entered into on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0511      **Caption:** relating to the registration of token trailers  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0528      **Caption:** relating to the restriction of access to the records and files of a child charged with or convicted of certain fine-only misdemeanor offenses  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:** Applies to an offense committed before, on, or after 1-1-2014

**Bill Number:** HB 0555      **Caption:** relating to certain criminal offenses for violations of the law regulating metal recycling entities  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

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**Bill Number:** HB 0567  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the definition of an authorized emergency vehicle

**Bill Number:** HB 0570  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to issuance of a magistrate's order for emergency protection

**Bill Number:** HB 0584  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the posting of a notice of foreclosure sale on a county's Internet website

**Bill Number:** HB 0625  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the penalty for the operation of a vehicle without a license plate

Applies to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0658  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to certain lawsuits seeking damages

Applies to an action commenced on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0680  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to provisions in the dedicatory instruments of property owners' associations regarding display of flags

**Bill Number:** HB 0694  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to access by certain military personnel to juvenile and criminal history information

**Bill Number:** HB 0699  
**Effective Date:** 10-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the location of certain public sales of real property

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**Bill Number:** HB 0705  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to the definition of emergency services personnel for purposes of the enhanced penalty prescribed for an assault committed against a person providing services in that capacity

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0719  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Caption:** relating to the operation of a golf cart or utility vehicle on a public highway in certain counties; authorizing a fee

**Application:** Not later than 12-31-13, DMV will establish procedure for issuance of license plates for golf carts to be used for operation on a public highway

**Bill Number:** HB 0798  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to certain actions taken by certain licensing authorities regarding a license holder or applicant who has been convicted of a Class C misdemeanor

**Application:** Applies to an application for or a disciplinary proceeding regarding a license that is pending with a licensing authority on 9-1-2013 or an application filed or proceeding commenced on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0802  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Caption:** relating to the definition of an authorized emergency vehicle

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0869  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to the issuance of a marriage license for an absent applicant, the participation of a proxy in certain marriage ceremonies, and the maintenance and submission of records relating to a marriage license issued for an absent applicant

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 0912  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to images captured by unmanned aircraft and other images and recordings; providing penalties

**Application:** applies to the capture, possession, disclosure, display, distribution, or other use of an image that occurs on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 0949  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to continuation of automobile insurance coverage for certain motor vehicles acquired during a personal automobile insurance policy term

**Application:** Applies only to an insurance policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after 1-1-2014

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**Bill Number:** HB 0978

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the transportation of certain patients to a mental health facility

**Bill Number:** HB 1009

**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Application:** Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education must establish a school marshal training program not later than 1-1-2014

**Caption:** Relating to the creation of a new category of law enforcement officer who shall be designated a school marshal, the training and appointment of certain employees of a school district or open-enrollment charter school as school marshals, and the rights, restrictions, limitations, and responsibilities of school marshals; authorizing the imposition of a fee

**Bill Number:** HB 1020

**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the certification of alcohol awareness programs required for minors convicted of or receiving deferred disposition for certain alcohol offenses

**Bill Number:** HB 1035

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies to a financial statement or report required to be filed under LG Chapter 159 due on or after 1-1-2014

**Caption:** relating to the filing of reports of political contributions and expenditures and of personal financial statements by certain officeholders and candidates

**Bill Number:** HB 1044

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the operation of all-terrain vehicles and recreational off-highway vehicles; creating an offense

**Bill Number:** HB 1086

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies only to an electric bill that becomes delinquent on or after 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to interruption of electric service by a residential landlord

**Bill Number:** HB 1097

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** Relating to the amount of a fine for certain traffic offenses committed in a construction or maintenance work zone

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**Bill Number:** HB 1106      **Caption:** relating to the identification and operation of vessels in the waters of this state  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1174      **Caption:** relating to the penalties for illegally passing a stopped school bus  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 1188      **Caption:** relating to limiting the liability of persons who employ persons with criminal convictions  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a cause of action that accrues on or after 5-30-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 1204      **Caption:** relating to designating October 1 as Influenza Awareness Day  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1222      **Caption:** relating to venue for certain alleged violations or offenses under the Water Safety Act  
**Effective Date:** 5-25-13  
**Application:** Applies only to a violation that occurs on or after 5-25-13

**Bill Number:** HB 1241      **Caption:** relating to the adoption of rules by the Parks and Wildlife Commission to protect the public water of this state from the spread of aquatic invasive species  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1263      **Caption:** relating to the delay in the implementation of the abolishment of small claims courts  
**Effective Date:** 04-10-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1271      **Caption:** relating to providing links in the online text of proposed legislation to other state laws referenced in that legislation  
**Effective Date:** 11-1-2014  
**Application:** Applies only to a bill filed, or an amendment or substitute adopted by a legislative committee, on or after 11-1-2014

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**Bill Number:** HB 1294      **Caption:** relating to the offense of failing to secure a child in a child passenger safety seat  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 1421      **Caption:** relating to the disposition of certain seized weapons  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1479      **Caption:** relating to establishing a committee in certain counties to recommend a uniform truancy policy  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Expires January 1, 2016; Applies to Bexar County

**Bill Number:** HB 1494      **Caption:** relating to certain regulatory programs administered by the Department of Agriculture; providing penalties; imposing fees  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1514      **Caption:** relating to privileged parking for veterans of World War II  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1597      **Caption:** relating to installment payments of ad valorem taxes  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1607      **Caption:** relating to the authority of the commissioners court of a county to alter speed limits on county roads  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1711      **Caption:** relating to barratry  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**



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**Bill Number:** HB 1728  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Caption:** relating to the use of an unsworn declaration, the disposition of certain court exhibits, and the seal of a constitutional county court or county clerk

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1738  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to the emergency detention by a peace officer of a person who may have mental illness, including information provided to the person subject to detention and a standard form of notification of detention to be provided to a facility by a peace officer

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 1759  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Caption:** relating to a correction, clarification, or retraction of incorrect information published

**Application:** Applies to information published on or after \_\_\_\_

**Bill Number:** HB 1772  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014

**Caption:** relating to the disconnection of electric or gas utility service

**Application:** Applies only to disconnection of service for nonpayment of a utility bill issued for a billing period that begins on or after 1-1-2014

**Bill Number:** HB 1807  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to fever tick eradication; creating a penalty

**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013  
Requires rules to be adopted by the Texas Animal Health Commission no later than 12-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 1819  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to liability for injuring a trespassing sheep or goat

**Application:** Applies to a person who maims, wounds, or kills a sheep or goat on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 1869  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014

**Caption:** relating to contractual subrogation and other recovery rights of certain insurers and benefit plan issuers

**Application:** Applies only to a contractual right of subrogation in a cause of action that accrues on or after 1-1-2014

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**Bill Number:** HB 2021      **Caption:** relating to the authority of a municipality or county to collect unpaid court costs in civil cases  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Does not apply to commercial bail bonds

**Bill Number:** HB 2058      **Caption:** relating to the administration of a high school equivalency examination  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year

**Bill Number:** HB 2090      **Caption:** relating to a written statement made by an accused as a result of custodial interrogation  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to a statement made on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 2268      **Caption:** relating to search warrants issued in this state and other states for certain customer data, communications, and other related information held in electronic storage in this state and other states by providers of electronic communications services and remote computing services  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2302      **Caption:** relating to signing electronic or digital court documents, to the electronic filing system established by the Texas Supreme Court, to the statewide electronic filing system fund, to certain court fees and court costs, and to recovery of electronic filing fees by taxing units; imposing and authorizing certain fees  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a fee that becomes payable on or after 9-1-2013;  
Not later than 12-1-2018, OCA shall report number of local governments and appellate courts collecting a fee and the necessity of continuing the fee

**Bill Number:** HB 2305 Page 1 o      **Caption:** relating to motor vehicle inspections; creating an offense; changing the collection method for certain fees  
**Effective Date:** Various  
**Application:** Article 45.003, Code of Criminal Procedure, Section 103.0213, Government Code, and Sections 521.3465, 521.3466, 548.601, 548.603, and 548.6035, Transportation Code, as amended by this Act, and the repeal by this Act of Sections 548.602 and 548.605, Transportation Code, apply only to an offense committed on or after March 1, 2015;

**Bill Number:** HB 2305 Page 2 o      **Caption:** relating to motor vehicle inspections; creating an offense; changing the collection method for certain fees  
**Effective Date:**  
**Application:**

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**Bill Number:** HB 2305 Page 3 o **Caption:** relating to motor vehicle inspections; creating an offense; changing the collection method for certain fees  
**Effective Date:**  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2305 Page 4 o **Caption:** relating to motor vehicle inspections; creating an offense; changing the collection method for certain fees  
**Effective Date:**  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2377 **Caption:** relating to the use of legislatively produced audio or visual materials; providing penalties  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2539 **Caption:** relating to requiring computer technicians to report images of child pornography; providing a criminal penalty  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2619 **Caption:** relating to the educational needs of children in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2649 **Caption:** relating to the punishment for violating certain rules or permit terms under a permit to trap, transport, and transplant certain animals  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 6-2-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 2679 **Caption:** relating to permitting an alternative plea for a defendant detained in jail pending trial for a Class C misdemeanor  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2690 **Caption:** relating to the sale of a vehicle by an unlicensed seller; creating an offense  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

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**Bill Number:** HB 2741 **Page 1 o** **Caption:** relating to the regulation of motor vehicles by counties and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles; authorizing a fee; creating an offense  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Immed TN 504.948; all other sections effective 9-1-2013  
To the extent of any conflict, this bill prevails over another bill passed by the 83rd Leg relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes;

**Bill Number:** HB 2741 **Page 2 o** **Caption:** relating to the regulation of motor vehicles by counties and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles; authorizing a fee; creating an offense  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2741 **Page 3 o** **Caption:** relating to the regulation of motor vehicles by counties and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles; authorizing a fee; creating an offense  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2772 **Caption:** relating to an interim study regarding the method by which certain judicial officers are selected  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2781 **Caption:** relating to rainwater harvesting and other water conservation initiatives  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a transfer of property that occurs on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** HB 2862 **Caption:** relating to procedures related to juvenile cases  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** To the extent of any conflict, HB 2862 prevails over another Act of the 83rd Reg Session relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections

**Bill Number:** HB 2902 **Caption:** relating to lost, damaged, or overdue county library property; authorizing fines; authorizing civil penalty;  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** HB 2918 **Caption:** relating to statutory durable powers of attorney  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:** Applies to a power of attorney executed on or after 1-1-2014

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**Bill Number:** HB 3068

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to debit card or stored value card surcharges

**Bill Number:** HB 3176

**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the appointment of a board member of a property owners' association to fill a vacancy

**Bill Number:** HB 3279

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the uprooting of seagrass plants; creating an offense

**Bill Number:** HB 3439

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the representation of a property owner by an agent in a property tax matter

**Bill Number:** HB 3483

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies only to a driver education course that begins on or after 9-1-2013  
Not later than 1-1-2014, TxDPS is required to adopt rules required by TN 521.205

**Caption:** relating to requirements for a driver education course, the eligibility of persons under 18 years of age to operate a motor vehicle, and the administration of certain driver's license examinations by home-taught driver education course providers

**Bill Number:** HB 3668

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to an individual's responsibilities following an accident reasonably likely to result in injury to or death of a person; imposing criminal penalties

**Bill Number:** HB 3676

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the application of restrictions on drivers under 18 years of age

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- Bill Number:** HB 3800      **Caption:** relating to the recording and indexing of property owners' association management certificates in the county real property records  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Not later than 1-1-2014, each property owners' association required to file a management certificate shall file the association's management certificate regardless of whether the association filed a management certificate before 9-1-2013;
- Bill Number:** HB 3838      **Caption:** relating to motorcycle equipment and training and the license requirements for a three-wheeled motorcycle; creating an offense  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013  
TN 547.617 is effective 1-1-2015
- Bill Number:** SB 0060      **Caption:** relating to authorizing the placement of a security freeze on the consumer file or other record created or maintained by a consumer reporting agency regarding a person under 16 years of age  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:**
- Bill Number:** SB 0094      **Caption:** relating to civil liability for compelled prostitution and certain promotion of prostitution  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a cause of action that accrues on or after 9-1-2013
- Bill Number:** SB 0146      **Caption:** relating to access by a public institution of higher education to the criminal history record information of certain persons seeking to reside in on-campus housing  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies to a person who applies to reside in on-campus housing at a public institution of higher education for an academic period that begins on or after \_\_\_\_
- Bill Number:** SB 0164      **Caption:** relating to the issuance to veterans of specially marked licenses to carry a concealed handgun and specially marked personal identification certificates  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**
- Bill Number:** SB 0166      **Caption:** relating to the use by certain health care providers of electronically readable information from a driver's license or personal identification certificate  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

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**Bill Number:** SB 0174  
**Effective Date:** 5-10-13  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the control of stray bison and other estrays

**Bill Number:** SB 0181  
**Effective Date:** 5-24-13  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to verification of motor vehicle financial responsibility information

**Bill Number:** SB 0192  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to access to criminal history record information by the banking commissioner

**Bill Number:** SB 0198  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to restrictive covenants regulating drought-resistant landscaping or water-conserving natural turf

**Bill Number:** SB 0209  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the functions and operation of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct

**Application:** Some sections require passage of a constitutional amendment

**Bill Number:** SB 0223  
**Effective Date:** 5-10-13  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to designation of certain vehicles of the Texas Division of Emergency Management as authorized emergency vehicles

**Bill Number:** SB 0251  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to an unsworn declaration made by an employee of a state agency or political subdivision in the performance of the employee's job duties

**Application:** Applies only to an unsworn declaration executed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0260  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to the absence of a student from school to visit with a parent, stepparent, or guardian who will be or has been deployed on military duty

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**Bill Number:** SB 0265      **Caption:** relating to bond requirements for county officers and employees, district attorneys, and criminal district attorneys  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0270      **Caption:** relating to a limited exception to the prohibition on releasing personal information about a juror collected during the jury selection process in certain cases  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to a writ of habeas corpus pending on or filed after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0275      **Caption:** relating to the penalty for the offense of leaving the scene of an accident that involves personal injury or death  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0299      **Caption:** relating to the intentional display of a handgun by a person licensed to carry a concealed handgun  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0354      **Caption:** relating to permitting electronic delivery of certain documents in a criminal case  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:** Apply to a document delivered, filed, or served on or after 5-18-13

**Bill Number:** SB 0366      **Caption:** relating to the authority of political subdivisions to offer certain deferred compensation plans to employees  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0367      **Caption:** relating to the disposition of abandoned or unclaimed property seized at the time of certain arrests  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:** Applies to personal property seized or taken into custody on or after 5-18-13

**Bill Number:** SB 0389      **Caption:** relating to the imposition of court costs in certain criminal proceedings  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies to a defendant convicted of an offense in a district, county, or statutory county court on or after 6-14-2013



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**Bill Number:** SB 0390      **Caption:** relating to the effective date of a new court cost or fee or of an amendment to the amount of a court cost or fee  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Application:** Applies only to a law imposing or changing the amount of a court cost or fee that takes effect on or after 6-14-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0392      **Caption:** relating to notice to the attorney general of challenges to the constitutionality of Texas statutes  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies to a petition, motion, or other pleading filed in litigation on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0393 Page 1 o      **Caption:** relating to the criminal procedures related to children who commit certain Class C misdemeanors  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** CP 45.041 and CP 45.0491 apply to a sentencing proceeding that commences before, on, or after 9-1-2013  
CP 45.0217 applies to the disclosure of a record on or after 9-1-2013 regardless of whether the offense was committed before, on, or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0393 Page 2 o      **Caption:** relating to the criminal procedures related to children who commit certain Class C misdemeanors  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0393 Page 3 o      **Caption:** relating to the criminal procedures related to children who commit certain Class C misdemeanors  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0393 Page 4 o      **Caption:** relating to the criminal procedures related to children who commit certain Class C misdemeanors  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0393 Page 5 o      **Caption:** relating to the criminal procedures related to children who commit certain Class C misdemeanors  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0394      **Caption:** relating to restricting access to records of children convicted of or receiving deferred disposition for certain fine-only misdemeanors  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies to disclosure of a record or file on or after 9-1-2013 regardless of whether the offense was committed before, on, or after 9-1-2013

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**Bill Number:** SB 0395      **Caption:** relating to fines and court costs imposed on a child in a criminal case  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** CP 45.041 applies to a sentencing proceeding that commences on or after 9-1-2013;  
CP 45.0491 applies to a sentencing proceeding that commences before, on or after 9-1-2013;

**Bill Number:** SB 0422      **Caption:** relating to service of citation on a financial institution  
**Effective Date:** 5-2-13  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0457      **Caption:** relating to the confidentiality of certain autopsy records  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Apply to a request for information that is received on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0458      **Caption:** relating to certain motor vehicle records excepted from disclosure under the  
Public Information Act  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-2013  
**Application:** Applies to a request for information received by a governmental body on or after 5-18-13

**Bill Number:** SB 0487      **Caption:** relating to all-terrain vehicles and recreational off-highway vehicles  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0510      **Caption:** relating to passing certain vehicles on a highway  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0553      **Caption:** relating to certain high school students serving as early voting clerks in an  
election  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0630      **Caption:** relating to certain obligations of and limitations on residential landlords  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:** Applies only to a lease the effective date of which is on or after 1-1-2014

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**Bill Number:** SB 0634      **Caption:** relating to regulating faulty on-site sewage disposal systems in the unincorporated areas of a county as a public nuisance; providing a criminal penalty  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0646      **Caption:** relating to court-ordered outpatient mental health services  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to an application for court-ordered mental health services or temporary detention filed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0649      **Caption:** relating to the exemption of certain property from seizure by creditors  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Does not apply to property that is subject to a voluntary bankruptcy or a valid claim of a final judgment who has by levy, garnishment, or other process, obtained rights superior to those that would otherwise be held by a trustee in bankruptcy if a petition were pending

**Bill Number:** SB 0651      **Caption:** relating to medical power of attorney  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:** Does not affect the validity of a document executed 1-1-2014;  
Requires TDHHS to adopt forms by 10-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0679      **Caption:** relating to certain records and supporting affidavits filed as evidence in certain actions  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an action commenced on or after 9-1-2013;  
As soon as practical, the supreme court shall amend Rule 902(1);

**Bill Number:** SB 0686      **Caption:** relating to the change of the name of the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:** Name change is effective January 1, 2014  
A reference in law to the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education or the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education means the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement

**Bill Number:** SB 0692      **Caption:** relating to the filing by electronic mail of financial disclosures by certain county officers, county employees, or candidates for county office  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0698      **Caption:** relating to the refund of unearned premium for a personal automobile or residential property insurance policy  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:** Applies only to a policy delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after 9-1-2013

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**Bill Number:** SB 0699      **Caption:** relating to the contents of an assumed name certificate filed by certain businesses or professionals  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a certificate filed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0718      **Caption:** relating to voluntary and involuntary mental health services  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0743      **Caption:** relating to the penalties prescribed for repeated violations of certain court orders or conditions of bond in a family violence case  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0763      **Caption:** relating to motorcycle training, the enforcement of certification standards for motorcycles, and the license requirements for a three-wheeled motorcycle; creating an offense  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0821      **Caption:** relating to the prosecution of certain criminal offenses involving theft or involving fraud or other deceptive practices  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0825      **Caption:** relating to disciplinary standards and procedures applicable to grievances alleging certain prosecutorial misconduct  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Requires the Supreme Court to amend Texas rules of Disciplinary Procedure no later than 12-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0847      **Caption:** relating to business entities and associations  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0849      **Caption:** relating to social purposes of a for-profit corporation  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

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**Bill Number:** SB 0852      **Caption:** relating to availability of certain property and casualty insurance forms  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a policy that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0887      **Caption:** relating to certain correction instruments in the conveyance of real property  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0946      **Caption:** relating to the right to terminate a lease and avoid liability by a victim of certain sexual offenses or stalking  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 0953      **Caption:** relating to the adoption of the Uniform Trade Secrets Act  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to misappropriation of a trade secret made on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 0966      **Caption:** relating to creation of the Judicial Branch Certification Commission and the consolidation of judicial profession regulation; imposing penalties; authorizing fees  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2014

**Application:** Supreme Court shall adopt rules no later than 9-1-2014;  
On 9-1-2014 the Judicial Branch Certification Commission is created; the Court Reporters Certification Board, Guardianship Certification Board, and Process Server Review Board are abolished;  
Duties, including those relating to court interpreters are transferred to Judicial Branch Certification Commission;

**Bill Number:** SB 0972      **Caption:** relating to the repeal of certain offenses relating to certain occupations regulated by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation  
**Effective Date:** 5-18-13  
**Application:** Does not apply to an offense committed before 5-18-13

**Bill Number:** SB 1010      **Caption:** relating to access to certain facilities by search and rescue dogs and their handlers; providing a criminal penalty  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

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**Bill Number:** SB 1044  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to access to criminal history record information by certain entities, including certain local government corporations, public defender's offices, and the office of capital writs, and to an exemption for those offices from fees imposed for processing inquiries for that information

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1061  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Caption:** relating to parking privileges of disabled veterans on the property of institutions of higher education

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1074  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Caption:** relating to electronic transmission of documentation involved in certain insurance transactions

**Application:** Applies only to a written communication that is delivered by electronic means on or after 1-1-2014

**Bill Number:** SB 1114 Page 1 o **Caption:** relating to the prosecution of certain misdemeanor offenses committed by children and to school district law enforcement  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013;  
ED 37.085 applies to an offense committed before, on, or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1114 Page 2 o **Caption:** relating to the prosecution of certain misdemeanor offenses committed by children and to school district law enforcement  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1114 Page 3 o **Caption:** relating to the prosecution of certain misdemeanor offenses committed by children and to school district law enforcement  
**Effective Date:**

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1120  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014

**Caption:** relating to a residential tenant's lease obligation after the loss the leased premises resulting from a natural disaster

**Application:** Applies only to a lease that is executed or renewed on or after 1-1-2014

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**Bill Number:** SB 1185

**Caption:** relating to the creation of a mental health jail diversion pilot program

**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1189

**Caption:** relating to the disposition of certain firearms seized by a law enforcement agency

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies to the disposition of a firearm that is seized by a law enforcement agency on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1237

**Caption:** relating to referral of disputes for alternative dispute resolution, including victim-directed referrals; authorizing a fee

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies only to a criminal case in which the defendant is arrested for or charged with an offense that occurs on or after 9-1-2013;  
Applies only to a civil case referred to a county alternative dispute resolution system on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1268

**Caption:** relating to recreational vehicles and recreational vehicle parks

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1289

**Caption:** relating to certain business entities engaged in the publication of mug shots and other information regarding the involvement of an individual in the criminal justice system; providing a civil penalty

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies to publication of criminal record information that occurs on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1317

**Caption:** relating to persons authorized to perform a marriage ceremony

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies to a license issued on or after 9-1-2013  
Applies to a ceremony conducted on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1360

**Caption:** relating to the punishment for the offense of tampering with a witness and the evidence that may be offered to show that offense

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:** Applies to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1365

**Caption:** relating to the provision of credit by examination for public school students

**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013

**Application:** Applies beginning with 2013-2014 school year

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**Bill Number:** SB 1400      **Caption:** relating to the municipal and county regulation of air guns  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1404      **Caption:** relating to attendance at and completion of high school by students who are in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year

**Bill Number:** SB 1419      **Caption:** relating to funding for juvenile case managers through certain court costs and to the establishment of the truancy prevention and diversion fund  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1427      **Caption:** relating to the administration of the citrus budwood certification program and the creation of the citrus nursery stock certification program; providing civil, criminal, and administrative penalties and authorizing fees  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to a violation committed on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1432      **Caption:** relating to the punishment for violating certain rules or permit terms under a permit to trap, transport, and transplant certain animals  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an offense committed on or after 6-14-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1541      **Caption:** relating to discipline of public school students by school bus drivers  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:** Applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year

**Bill Number:** SB 1567      **Caption:** relating to coverage of certain persons under an automobile insurance policy  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies only to an insurance policy that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after 1-1-2014

**Bill Number:** SB 1611      **Caption:** relating to discovery in a criminal case  
**Effective Date:** 1-1-2014  
**Application:** Applies to prosecution of an offense committed on or after 1-1-2014



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**Bill Number:** SB 1620      **Caption:** relating to certified communication access realtime translation providers  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1630      **Caption:** relating to the protection of defendants against vexatious litigants  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to an action commencing on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1729      **Caption:** relating to an agreement between the Department of Public Safety and a county for the provision of renewal and duplicate driver's license and other identification certificate services; authorizing a fee  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1757      **Caption:** relating to the manufacture, sale, distribution, purchase, or possession of a license plate flipper; creating an offense  
**Effective Date:** 6-14-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1773      **Caption:** relating to the creation of a select interim committee to review and make recommendations for substantive changes to ethics laws  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

**Bill Number:** SB 1889      **Caption:** relating to the transport of a mental health patient who is not a resident of this state  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:** Applies to a reciprocal agreement between the state and another entity entered into on or after 9-1-2013

**Bill Number:** SB 1907      **Caption:** relating to the transportation and storage of firearms and ammunition by concealed handgun license holders in private vehicles on the campuses of certain institutions of higher education  
**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013  
**Application:**

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**Bill Number:** SB 1908

**Effective Date:** 9-1-2013

**Application:**

**Caption:** relating to a study conducted by the Office of Court Administration of the Texas  
Judicial System and the repeal of certain court fees and costs