

## Legislation Passed, 82<sup>nd</sup> Regular Legislative Session

The following is a list of bills TNOYS has identified as being of interest to our members. (While it is nine pages long, there are no doubt still other bills that didn't make it on the list!) The bills are organized by topic (Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice, Trafficking, Education, and Miscellaneous); first House and then Senate bills (passed version) are listed, then in numerical order. In some instances the companion bill is listed.

For more information on these and other bills, check the [Texas Legislature Online](http://www.texaslegislature.com) website, using the Search Legislation feature. On the main page, enter the bill number (eg, HB 290) and select the "82 R – 2011" session (it will default to the more recent Special Session: "82-1 – 2011"). Look at "enrolled" version of the bill for the language as passed; the history tab will tell you when it is effective, the bill's original author, and other information about the bill's creation.

### Child Welfare

HB 290	Author: Jackson, Jim et al	Sponsor: Nelson
Summary: Amends the Penal Code to make the offense of employment harmful to children punishable as a state jail felony if the defendant has been previously convicted one time, and a felony of the third degree if the defendant has been previously convicted two or more times for the offense. (The offense is currently punishable as a Class A Misdemeanor).		
HB 452	Author: Lucio III	Sponsor: Lucio
Summary: Requires institutions of higher education to assist former foster youth who meet certain requirements, with temporary housing options for the summer session between academic sessions.		
HB 753	Author: Raymond	Sponsor: Zaffirini
Summary: Requires the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) to use special assessment tools to match applicants for employment with Child Protective Services (CPS) to assign positions best suited based on the applicant's skills, personality traits, and experience. Gives preference for hiring social workers; also requires DFPS to study caseworker salaries to determine role salaries play in recruitment and retention.		
HB 807	Author: Parker	Sponsor: Nelson
Summary: Sometimes a child in foster care is removed from the child's foster home without much notice, even if an emergency does not exist. This does not give adequate time to prepare a child before removal. H.B. 807 requires the Department of Family and Protective Services to give at least 48 hours notice, in writing, except in emergency situations or court order, before removing a child from a placement.		
HB 826	Author: Farias	Sponsor: Zaffirini
Summary: Requires each school district to appoint a liaison no later than December 1, 2011, to assist with the enrollment or transfer of local students who are in the conservatorship of the state.		
HB 848	Author: Guillen	Sponsor: Zaffirini
Summary: Amends the Family Code to allow a parent to enter an authorization agreement with a care provider when placing a child under a parental child safety placement approved by the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS).		
HB 905	Author: Thompson, Gonzalez, Naomi	Sponsor: Harris
Summary: Allows statements made by a child 12 years of age or younger describing family violence against the child to be admissible in protective order hearings.		
HB 943	Author: Dukes	Sponsor: Nelson
Summary: C.S.H.B. 943 codifies Department of Family and Protective Services policy for reporting missing children in the state's conservatorship; including children who have run away or been abducted. The Department must notify law		

enforcement agencies, courts with jurisdiction, child’s attorney ad litem and guardian ad litem, and the child’s parents as defined. This bill also requires law enforcement agencies to enter a missing child's information into the state's missing children and missing person information clearinghouse within two hours of receiving the report.

HB 1721	Author: Lucio III, Hartnett	Sponsor: Zaffirini
Summary: Provides stalking victims and child victims the same protection as family violence victims by authorizing a victim of stalking to request a court to render a protective order and allowing statements made by children under age 14 to be admissible as evidence in proceedings relating to certain protective orders.		

HB 2170 (SB 1637)	Author: Raymond	Sponsor: Davis
Summary: The bill establishes a Foster Children’s Bill of Rights, and gives direction to DFPS and foster care providers about implementation. It also requires the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) to ensure that each child in permanent managing conservatorship who is 16 years of age or older obtains a free copy of the child's credit report, and receives information about how to interpret the report and correct any inaccuracies in the report.		

HB 2370	Author: Dukes	Sponsor: West
Summary: Requires DFPS and CPAs to provide prospective relative caregivers under Permanency Care Assistance program with more complete information, inform them that a background check will be performed, and specific criminal convictions that will preclude them from participation.		

HB 2560	Author: Sheffield	Sponsor: Estes
Summary: Prevents the Department of Family and Protective Services from prohibiting the foster parent of a child who resides in the foster family's home from transporting the child in a vehicle where a handgun is present under certain circumstances.		

HB 2662	Author: Hochberg	Sponsor: Hinojosa
Summary: Amends the definition of “missing child” in the Code of Criminal Procedure to indicate a child is not missing if the child is taken or retained without the permission of the legal custodian, if the taking is prompted by the commission or attempted commission of family violence against the child or actor.		

HB 3123	Author: Thompson, Parker	Sponsor: Branch
Summary: Codifies federal Fostering Connections requirements to locate and provide information to relatives and other adults following removal of a child.		

HB 3234	Author: Hernandez, Luna, Naishtat, Rodriguez	Sponsor: Davis
Summary: Requires DFOS to establish guidelines that prioritize requests to release case records of foster youth.		

HB 3311	Author: Carter	Sponsor: Nelson
Summary: Requires that the meeting before each court hearing between an attorney ad litem appointed for a child and the child or an individual with whom the child resides, must take place a sufficient time before the hearing to allow the ad litem to prepare for the hearing in accordance with the client’s interests. The meeting must take place in a private setting that allows for confidential communications between the attorney ad litem and the child or individual with whom the child resides.		

HB 3314	Author: Carter	Sponsor: Nelson
Summary: Requires an attorney ad litem appointed for a child to file a statement with the court regarding the attorney ad litem’s meeting with the child or other specified person.		

HB 3439	Author: Raymond	Sponsor: Rodriguez
Summary: H.B. 3439 clarifies the definitions of "missing child." The bill seeks to address those circumstances when a child may be with a parent whose whereabouts are unknown. H.B. 3439 also makes it a state crime to remove a child		

from the United States or to retain a child outside the United States with the intent to obstruct a parent's custodial rights. The bill is patterned after the federal International Parental Kidnapping Act.

HB 3531

Author: Strama

Sponsor: Nelson

Summary: Requires the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to implement a system to monitor the prescribing of psychotropic drugs for children who are in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services and enrolled in the STAR Health Medicaid managed care program.

HB 3746

Author: Frullo

Sponsor: Carona

Summary: Creates a dedicated revenue stream to enable ICACs task forces to create full-time investigative positions to foster the apprehension of more Texas predators and the rescue of more children in communities across the state.

SB 32

Author: Zaffirini

Sponsor: Branch

Summary: Consolidates all statutes on exemptions and tuition fee waivers into one section of the Texas Education Code.

SB 41

Author: Zaffirini

Sponsor: Davis, John

Summary: Directs the HHSC to adopt rules ensuring restraints are not used in state supported living centers unless the restraint is necessary to prevent imminent physical injury and is the least restrictive and effective way to prevent imminent physical injury.

SB 82

Author: Nelson

Sponsor: Gallego

Summary: Modifies the statutory definition of stalking to apply to varying stalking behaviors. Ensures that stalking victims are permitted to give testimony in court about his or her relationship with an alleged perpetrator.

SB 166

Author: Shapiro

Sponsor: Madden

Summary: Creates a state agency – The Office of Violent Sex Offender Management – to perform the functions related to the sex offender civil commitment program that are currently performed by the Council on Sex Offender Treatment.

SB 198

Author: West

Sponsor: Smith, Todd

Summary: Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure to exempt certain individuals from the duty to register as a sex offender for certain sex offenses if the victim or intended victim was at least 15 years of age, the defendant was not more than four years older than the victim or intended victim, and the offender is not a threat public safety. The bill would authorize the court to consider relevant evidence and testimony about the relationship between the victim or intended victim and the petitioner at a hearing of a petition to be exempt from sex offender registration.

SB 218

Author: Nelson

Sponsor: Gonzalez, Naomi

Summary: S.B. 218 amends the Family Code to provide for the redesign of the foster care system to help ensure that displaced children have access to valuable support networks; it also amends current law relating to procedures in certain suits affecting the parent-child relationship and the operation of the child protective services and foster care systems.

Redesign: The bill authorizes payment rates for foster care under the redesigned system to be different from those for other 24-hr residential child care; to include incentive payments for superior performance, as well as funding for additional services provided to families historically included in 24-hour residential child-care rates. The bill requires final implementation of the foster care redesign to include a payment system based on performance targets. The bill prohibits payment rates under foster care redesign from resulting in total expenditures for any fiscal year during the 2012-2013 fiscal biennium that exceed the amounts appropriated by the 82nd Legislature for foster care and other purchased services, except to the extent that any increase in total foster care expenditures is the direct result of caseload growth.

The large bill has many other provisions:

- Prohibits DFPS, on closing a case, from entering into a written agreement with a child’s parent or other adult that requires the adult to take certain actions after the case is closed to ensure the child’s safety; unless the agreement is subject to the approval of a court with continuing jurisdiction over the child, results from the person’s participation in family group conferencing; or as outlined, under a formal case closure plan.
- If a child has a sexually transmitted disease DFPS must appoint a special investigator to investigate and file order for emergency protection of the child if necessary for protection of the child.
- DFPS must work with parents to create and amend service plans
- DFPS authorized to obtain criminal history records checks on employees/volunteers of those providing independent living services to youth in foster, or host homes serving these youth
- DFPS caseworkers must be trained in benefits of protective orders as alternative to removing children from home
- Youth in foster care are exempted from drivers license fees

SB 219	Author: Nelson, Van de Putte	Sponsor: Gonzalez, Naomi
Summary: S.B. 219 seeks to ensure that children in foster care and kinship care receive needed mental health services and that professionals understand the impact of trauma on a child's mental health and behaviors by amending the current statute on trauma-informed care to mandate additional training for CPS caseworkers and supervisors. It requires the department to assist with trauma-informed programs for CASA, CACs, domestic violence shelters, and mental health centers, to the extent resources are available, and it requires the STAR Health Program to provide trauma-informed care training to all providers.		

SB 260	Author: West	Sponsor: Raymond
Summary: S.B. 260 amends the Human Resources Code to increase from eight to 24 the hours of initial training required of certain employees of a day-care center. The bill specifies that such training must be completed not later than the 90th day after the employee's first day of employment and makes the requirement applicable to an employee who has less than two years of employment experience in a regulated child-care facility in the alternative to an employee who has no previous training.		

SB 407	Author: Watson	Sponsor: Craddick
Summary: Amends the Penal Code to create several misdemeanor offenses related to the electronic transmission or possession of certain visual material by a minor that depicts a minor as defined by the provisions of the bill.		

SB 434	Author: Nelson, Uresti	Sponsor: Raymond
Summary: Amends the Government Code to establish a task force to examine the relationship between family violence and child abuse and neglect; develop policy recommendations, if needed, to address issues and effects resulting from that relationship; and develop comprehensive statewide best practices guidelines for both child protective services and family violence shelter centers. The bill establishes the composition of the task force and requires a vacancy on the task force to be filled in the same manner as the original appointment .		

SB 471	Author: West (& others)	Sponsor: Parker
Summary: Requires each school district to expand their current policy addressing sexual abuse of children to all types of child abuse. It also requires training of all new professional staff. Charter schools and child care facilities are also required to adopt and implement a policy and to train.		

SB 482	Author: Harris	Sponsor: Jackson, Jim
Summary: Requires notice be given to non-signing parents, when (under current law) a parent signs an authorization agreement granting a non-parent relative authority to make certain decisions, including emergency medical decisions,		

on behalf of the child. Only one authorization may be in effect at a time.

SB 578	Author: Fraser	Sponsor: Hartnett, multiple
Summary: Testimony of child in criminal cases – attention paid to child’s age, duration of questions is limited, personal items or person to comfort the child to be allowed.		

SB 717	Author: Harris	Sponsor: Truitt
Summary: Amends the Government Code to expand the purposes for which the Council on Children and Families is established to include the promotion of the sharing of information regarding children and their families among state agencies. The bill expands the council's required duties to include the identification of technological methods to ensure the efficient and timely transfer of information among state agencies providing health, education, and human services to children and their families.		

SB 789 (HB 907)	Author: Harris	Sponsor: Thompson
Summary: Protective Orders may exceed two years if perpetrator causes serious bodily injury, had two or more previous offenses related to family violence; can’t rescind due to compliance.		

SB 819 (HB 1260)	Author: Harris	Sponsor: Thompson
Summary: Allows any Texas court with jurisdiction over protective orders and family violence to enforce a protective order rendered by another court. Extends protections to minors by allowing them to apply for a protective order for dating violence, and allowing a minor’s signed statement to be valid in an application for a temporary ex parte protective order.		

SB 820 (HB 1262)	Author: Harris	Sponsor: Thompson
Summary: Lists factors a court shall consider in making an order for possession of a child under three years of age. Factors include the caregiving provided, the effect on the child that may result from separation from either party. A court may be required to make findings in support of an order if requested by a party to the suit.		

SB 993 (HB 1854)	Author: Uresti	Sponsor: Rodriguez, Eddie
Summary: Requires the Department of Family and Protective Services to follow certain policies when placing a child in temporary out-of-home care during an investigation of abuse or neglect. The agency indicates the bill very closely mirrors current child protective services policy.		

SB 1154	Author: Uresti	Sponsor: McClendon
Summary: Provides for the appointment and qualifications of the nine members of the task force and requires the governor and lieutenant governor to appoint the members by October 1, 2011. It requires the task force to identify all existing programs in Texas relating to reducing child abuse and neglect or improving child welfare and, of the programs identified, those programs that receive state money.		

SB 1178	Author: Nelson	Sponsor: Raymond
Summary: Allows DFPS to suspend and revoke after six months of non-compliance a facility's, agency’s or home’s license, listing or registration if they do not pay appropriate fees or submit to appropriate background checks.		

SB 1414	Author: Duncan	Sponsor: Eiland
Summary: Defines a campus program for minors, and requires that certain employees and volunteers who have contact with campers successfully complete the training and examination program on sexual abuse and child molestation, or provide documentation that they have completed the training within the preceding two years.		

SB 1551	Author: Rodriguez	Sponsor: Raymond
Summary: Expands the definition of missing child; provide conditions for prosecuting an offense involving a child injured in one county and residing in another; expands the offense of interference with child custody to include taking a child		

outside of the country with the intent of preventing access to the child to a person entitled to possession or access to the child, under certain circumstances; and provides an affirmative defense to prosecution for the added offense.

## Juvenile Justice

HB 350	Author: Walle	Sponsor: Van de Putte
Summary: Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure to allow a justice or a judge to dismiss all or part of a defendant's costs or fines for a Class C misdemeanor if the defendant is under the age of 17 and the offense was committed on the primary or secondary school property that the defendant was enrolled in at the time of the offense.		
HB 734	Author: Patrick, Diane	Sponsor: Nelson
Summary: Amends current law relating to the jurisdiction of constitutional county courts over truancy cases and the appointment of magistrates to hear truancy cases in certain counties. Currently, a magistrate in a county with a population of two million or more is permitted to hear truancy cases. H.B. 734 allows the county judge of a county with a population of 1.75 million or more, with the consent of the commissioners court, to appoint a magistrate to hear truancy cases. The county judge retains final authority over the decision rendered by the magistrate. In addition, this bill allows a newly created truancy court in a county with a population of 1.75 million or more to have original jurisdiction over truancy cases.		
HB 961	Author: Turner	Sponsor: Hinojosa
Summary: H.B. 961 lowers the age requirement to 17 years of age and removes the provision that excludes individuals who were granted deferred adjudication for or convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor punishable by confinement in jail for an offense committed after the person became 17 years of age. Texas law allows a court to order the sealing of records for someone who is at least 21 years of age and has not been convicted of a felony after reaching age 17, among other requirements. H.B. 961 would allow youth 19 years of age or older to have his or her records sealed, provided the other requirements are met.		
HB 2015	Author: Thompson	Sponsor: Van de Putte
Summary: The bill amends the Family Code to include the offense of prostitution within the definition of conduct indicating a need for supervision and the sealing of records related to that conduct.		
HB 2337	Author: Gallego	Sponsor: Uresti
Summary: The bill amends the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to the admissibility of certain statements made by a child in certain court proceedings. The bill adds provisions relating to statements recorded by an electronic recording device, including a device that records images and is obtained in other states or by a federal law enforcement officer.		
HB 2496	Author: Gonzalez, Naomi	Sponsor: Carona
Summary: H.B. 2496 creates a 12-week teen dating violence court program designed to educate teens and encourage them to refrain from dating violence. The program would provide counseling and referrals and explain the juvenile justice system to teen dating violence victims.		
SB 61	Author: Zaffirini	Sponsor: Walle
Summary: A government agency employing a juvenile case manager must adopt rules that provide a code of ethics, educational requirements, and training standards; training must include info on services to at risk youth and detecting and preventing abuse, exploitation, and neglect of juveniles.		
SB 653	Author: Whitmire, Hegar, Hinojosa	Sponsor: Madden, Bonnen, Cook, McClendon
Summary: Abolishes the Texas Youth Commission and the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission and transfers the powers and duties of the two agencies to the newly created Texas Juvenile Justice Department. Moves toward more community-based alternatives to incarceration, and plans for sizing facilities in ways that promote successful youth		

rehabilitation. Establishes an independent ombudsman; and paves the way for the new entity to provide prevention services.

SB 1208	Author: Whitmire	Sponsor: Madden
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Summary: Extends to age 19 the period for which a youth can be on juvenile probation.

SB 1209	Author: Whitmire	Sponsor: Marquez, others
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Summary: Allows youth who will be tried as adults to be kept in juvenile detention facilities.

SB 3407	Author: Watson	Sponsor: Craddick, Gallego
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Summary: Creates the offense of electronic transmission of certain visual material depicting a minor. Establishes a tiered approach to prosecuting the offense so the punishment matches the crime, and to prevent occurrences of the offense by educating students about the criminal, emotional, psychological and other consequences associated with the crime.

SB 1106	Author: Harris	Sponsor: Madden
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Summary: SB 1106 provides for increased sharing of a juvenile's information between governmental entities while preserving the individual's rights to privacy. S.B. 1106 amends current law relating to the exchange of confidential information among certain governmental entities concerning certain juveniles.

SB 1208	Author: Whitmire	Sponsor: Madden
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Summary: The bill amends the Family Code to extend the age from 18 to 19 years of age in which a juvenile placed on determinate sentence probation may be on probation.

SB 1209	Author: Whitmire	Sponsor: Marquez
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Summary: The bill amends the Family Code to specify that a person who has been transferred for prosecution in a criminal court for a felony, and who is under 17 years of age, is considered a child and would be required to be separated from adults detained in the same building. A child could not be committed or transferred to a penal institution or other facility if a juvenile court orders the child to be detained in a certified juvenile detention facility

SB 1241	Author: West	Sponsor: Jackson, Jim
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Summary: The bill amends the Family Code to allow the Department of Public Safety to release information from the juvenile justice information system to a county, justice, or municipal court exercising jurisdiction over truancy cases.

SB 1331	Author: Watson	Sponsor: Gallego
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Summary: The bill amends the Alcoholic Beverage Code relating to criminal offenses regarding the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by a minor and providing alcoholic beverages to a minor, including exemptions for certain minor requesting medical assistance for others and penalties for certain alcohol related offenses.

## Human Trafficking

SB 24 (HB 7)	Author: Van De Putte	Sponsor:
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Summary: Enacts a series of recommendations from the 2011 Human Trafficking Prevention Task Force Report. (Makes compelling prostitution of a child punishable as a first degree felony, and adds it to the list of 3g offenses. The bill also allows sentences for human trafficking offenses, at the discretion of a judge, to be served consecutively and make an offender charged with human trafficking ineligible for mandatory supervision.)

HB 2014	Author: Thompson (others)	Sponsor:
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Summary: Contains more recommendations from the 2011 Human Trafficking Prevention Task Force Report.

HB 2015 (SB 1313)	Author: Thompson (others)	Sponsor:
Summary: Adds prostitution to list of activities juveniles can be designated as being in need of supervision; authorizes sealing of records of certain children found or believed to have engaged in such conduct.		

HB 2329	Author: Zedler	Sponsor:
Summary: Addresses confidentiality regarding victims of trafficking and protective orders to protect victims of trafficking.		

HB 3000 (SB 1436)	Author: Thompson	Sponsor:
Summary: Creates offense of continuous trafficking of persons; provides penalty and other civil consequences.		

## Education

HB 359 (SB 536, HB 3758)	Author: Allen, others	Sponsor: Rodriguez
Summary: If a school district has a corporal punishment policy a parent may opt out of having it administered to their child by providing written annual notice. Also tracks school resource officers' use of restraints on children, and eliminates ticketing of children prior to seventh grade.		

HB 968	Author: Strama	Sponsor: Watson
Summary: H.B. 968 seeks to ensure consistency in consequences for certain offenses committed by public school students. Chapter 37 (Discipline; Law and Order), Education Code, governs discipline in public schools and provides guidelines on discretionary and mandatory removals and expulsions for students who administrators believe have committed certain offenses. The "Hochberg amendment" (HB622) eliminates some of the discretion schools had to send children to Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs.		

HB 1224	Author: Reynolds	Sponsor: Huffman
Summary: H.B. 1224 permits school districts to expel a student if a student engages in conduct that contains the elements of the offense of breach of computer security and that the student knowingly alters, damages, or deletes school district property or information or commits a breach of any other computer, computer network, or computer system.		

HB 1386	Author: Coleman	Sponsor: Ellis
Summary: A list of recommended best practices in early mental health intervention and suicide prevention must be provided to schools (schools <u>may</u> implement); must contain components that provide for training of those who regularly interact with students, in order to recognize risks and intervene effectively.		

HB 1907	Author: Madden	Sponsor: Whitmire
Summary: Shortens the deadlines for the when law enforcement agencies and prosecutors must send notices to school superintendents, who must notify persons supervising a student, regarding students' arrests and other case actions.		

HB 1942	Author: Patrick, Diane	Sponsor: Van de Putte
Summary: Defines bullying; requires school districts to develop policies to prevent and respond to bullying; instructs the Board of Education to adopt for the Health Curriculum, essential knowledge and skills including practices related to bullying awareness, prevention and response. It also has a provision which allows a child who bullies to be moved to a different school (parents must be consulted).		

SB 49	Author: Zaffirini	Sponsor: Guillen
Summary: Amends Education Code to require a school district to provide the parents of a student removed to a disciplinary alternative education program with written notice of the district's obligation to provide the student with an		

opportunity to complete coursework required for graduation. The bill requires such notice to include information regarding all methods available for completing the coursework and state that the methods are available at no cost to the student. The bill makes its provisions applicable beginning with the 2011-2012 school year.

SB 226	Author: Nelson	Sponsor: Smith, Todd
Summary: Increases the usefulness of schools' physical fitness assessments by making it easier to correlate fitness and academic data, so parents can see the link between health and school performance.		

SB 407	Author: Watson	Sponsor: Craddick
Summary: Allows the School Safety Center to educate teens about the dangers of "sexting." However, it also creates new criminal offenses that may lead to more youth being charged with crimes.		

SB 975	Author: Hinojosa	Sponsor: Munoz, Jr.
Summary: Authorizes certain public junior colleges, beginning September 1, 2012, to enter into an articulation agreement with one or more school districts located in the junior college district, to provide a dropout recovery program on the junior college campus for students to successfully complete and receive a high school diploma.		

SB 1489	Author: Whitmire	Sponsor: Madden
Summary: Prohibits the issuance of class C misdemeanor tickets for failure to attend school to students 10 and 11 years old and to students over 18 years old (thus limited to ages 12 through 17). Truancy court orders would be limited to 180 days or to the end of the school year, whichever is longer. It also would require school districts to adopt truancy prevention measures; designed to address school conduct, minimize referrals to juvenile court for truancy, and minimize filing of truancy complaints in county, justice, and municipal courts. County, justice and municipal courts are required to dismiss complaints and expunge records if conditions are complied with and the student provides proof of obtaining a high school diploma or equivalency certificate.		

## Miscellaneous

HB 457	Author: Craddick	Sponsor: Nelson
Summary: H.B. 457 authorizes a qualified organization to promote a raffle on the organization's Internet website or through a publication or solicitation, including a newsletter, social media, or e-mail, provided that certain conditions are met.		

SB 501	Author: West	Sponsor: Dukes
Summary: Establishes the Disproportionality Interagency Council which is charged with addressing disproportionality in child welfare, juvenile justice, education and mental health systems.		

SB 717	Author: Harris, Van de Putte	Sponsor: Truitt, Naishtat
Summary: Charges the Council on Children and Families to examine interagency data sharing among state agencies.		

SB 1106	Author: Harris	Sponsor: Madden
Summary: Authorizes increased sharing of a juvenile's information between governmental entities.		