

# Briefing

## 89<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session Recap



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# Local Government Debt

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- **HB 19 by Meyer** - Relating to the issuance and repayment of debt by local governments, including the adoption of an ad valorem tax rate and the use of ad valorem tax revenue for the repayment of debt
- **SB 1025 by Bettencourt** - Relating to the text of ballot propositions that increase taxes.
- **SB 1024 by Bettencourt** - Relating to the issuance of certain anticipation notes and certificates of obligation.



# Local Government Budget

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- **HB 9 by Meyer** - Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of tangible personal property a person owns that is held or used for the production of income.
- **HB 5267 by Bell** – Relating to municipal and county financial requirements.
- **SB 924 by Hanock** – Relating to entities that provide cable services or video services.
- **SB 1453 by Bettencourt** - Relating to the current debt rate and tax rate of a taxing unit for ad valorem tax purposes.



# Preemption

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- **SB 2858 & SB 3016 by Sen. Creighton** - Relating to the state preemption of certain municipal and county regulation
- Expands “field preemption” to Election, Health & Safety, Penal, and parts of Local Government Code
- Draconian penalty initiated by the Attorney General with no right to cure. Penalties include loss of sales tax revenue, the property tax rate is limited to a no-new-revenue rate, and loss of certain grants.
- Passed the Senate & Referred to House Committee



# Housing Finance Corporations

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- **HB 1585 by Rep. Bell** - Relating to housing finance corporations and to the location of residential developments owned by those corporations.
- **HB 21 by Gates** - Relating to housing finance corporations; authorizing a fee.



# Project Financing Zone

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- **SB 1250 by C. Hinojosa** - Relating to the definition of a project financing zone for the purposes of certain municipalities that use certain tax revenue to fund convention center facilities, multipurpose arenas, venues, and related infrastructure.



# Development & Land Use

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- **SB 840 by Hughes** – Relating to certain municipal regulation of certain mixed-use and multifamily residential development projects and conversion of certain commercial buildings to mixed-use and multifamily residential occupancy.
- **SB 15 by Bettencourt** - Relating to size and density requirements for residential lots in certain municipalities; authorizing a fee.
- **SB 854 by Middleton** - Relating to municipal regulation of multifamily and mixed-use development on religious land.
- **SB 2477 by Bettencourt** - Relating to certain municipal regulation of conversion of certain office buildings to mixed-use and multifamily residential occupancy.



# Water Supply Development

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- **SB 7 by Perry**— Relating to the oversight and financing of certain water infrastructure matters under the jurisdiction of the Texas Water Development Board.
- **HJR 7 by Harris** - Proposing a constitutional amendment to dedicate a portion of the revenue derived from state sales and use taxes to the Texas Water Fund.
- **SB 2658 by Perry** - Relating to an exemption from the requirement to obtain a permit from a groundwater conservation district for certain brackish groundwater wells.





# Annexation & Disannexation

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- **SB 1844 by Paxton** – Relating to disannexation of certain areas of a municipality for failure to provide services.
- **HB 950 by Hayes** - Relating to the provision of municipal services to land annexed by a municipality for full purposes.



# Emergency Services

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- **SB 2965 by Creighton** – Relating to territory in an emergency services district that is annexed by a municipality.
- **HB 5148 by Talarico** - Relating to municipal regulation of stairway requirements in certain multifamily residential buildings.

