



88th State Legislative Session Update

January 30, 2023





Purpose

- Provide update on Legislative Activity for the 88th State Legislative Session



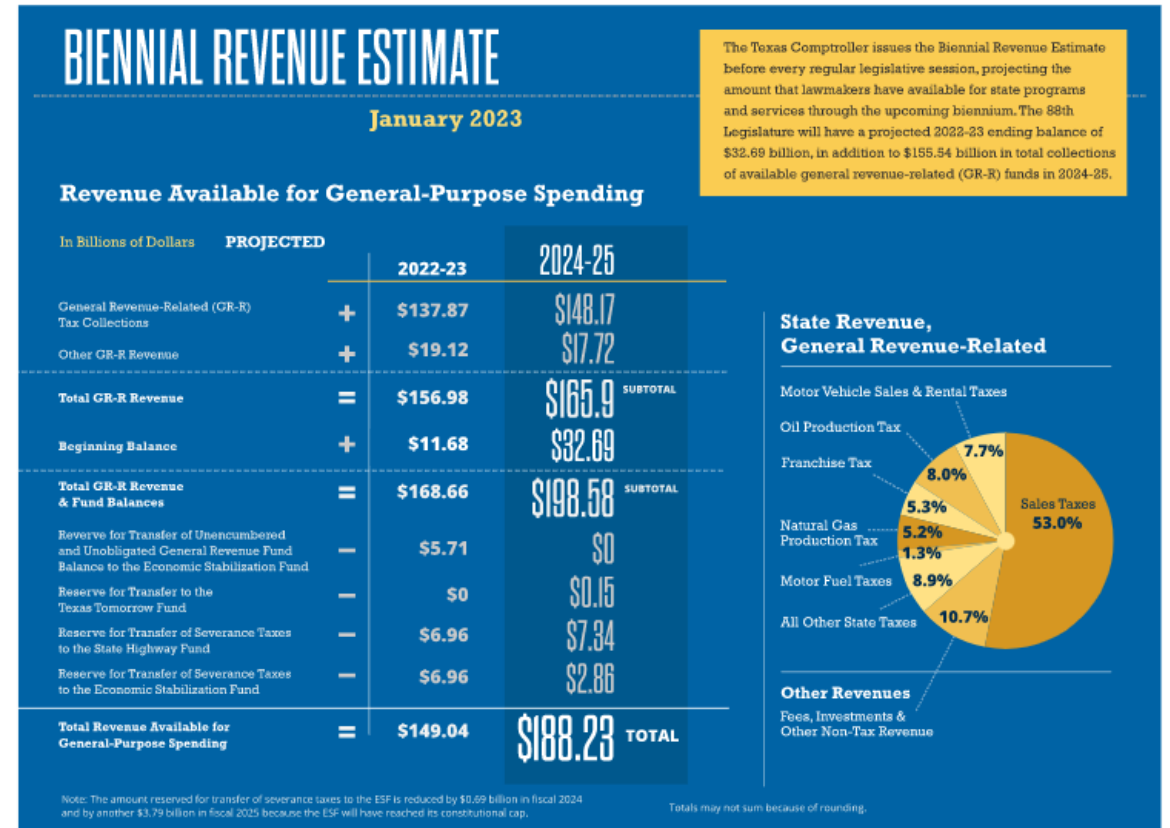
Quick Recap

- ❑ Session began on January 10, 2023
- ❑ As of 1/26/23: 1,881 House Bills and 744 Senate Bills have been filed. Of these, over 400 are city related.
- ❑ Texas House Speaker Dade Phelan was reelected Speaker of the House
- ❑ Senator Kelly Hancock was elected President Pro-tempore of the Senate



General Updates

- ❑ Texas Comptroller revenue projections include a \$33 billion budget surplus
- ❑ Senate Committee assignments
- ❑ House Committee assignments have not been made



Source: Biennial Revenue Estimate 2024-2025 [Biennial Revenue Estimate 2024-2025 \(texas.gov\)](https://www.texas.gov/biennial-revenue-estimate-2024-2025)

Update on Bill Filings- City Related

Community Censorship

- HB 170
- SB 175

Super Pre-emption

- SB149

Elections

- HB1210- May Uniform Election Date
- SB359- Preferential Voting

Bidding

- HB 1132-** Competitive Bidding

Budget

- HB1244 – discount for early payment of taxes
- HB1489 – CO's
- HB553- Universal basic income

Other

- SB432** Catalytic Converter Theft
- HB 157 & SB 174** Establishment of a public law school in El Paso County

Planning

- HB 1246 & SB369- Disannexation
- HB 1307 – Disannexation by Petition
- HB 1279- ETJ's
- HB1381-** Public Hearings
- HJR 81- Eminent Domain
- SB494- Land Development apps
- Shot Clock ongoing discussion

City Initiatives Update

- ❑ Item 3: relating to the conveyance of city owned property as part of a Chapter 380 agreement
SB 543 Senator Blanco & HB1492 Representative Ordaz
- ❑ Item 7: Relating to firearm purchases, mental health, school marshal program and straw purchases-
Multiple bills have been filed by our delegation and other legislators
- ❑ Item 9: Relating to allowing voters to increase vehicle registration fees and provide equitable
distribution of revenue
HB46-Representative Ortega

Committee Meetings

- ❑ Senate Committee on Finance
 - ❑ 3 weeks of hearings beginning January 30th

El Paso Days in Austin



Next Steps

- Updates once per month at Work Session
- Weekly Newsletter from IGR
- Focused Advocacy Updates
- El Paso Days in Austin



Mission

Deliver exceptional services to support a high quality of life and place for our community



Vision

Develop a vibrant regional economy, safe and beautiful neighborhoods and exceptional recreational, cultural and educational opportunities powered by a high performing government



Values

Integrity, Respect, Excellence, Accountability, People