



AGC-Texas Building Branch Capitol Roundup

April 19, 2023



Sen. Tan Parker

AGC-Texas Building Branch is working on hundreds of bills in the 2023 Texas Legislative Session that would impact our commercial construction industry. Some of these bills we're trying to pass, others we're making sure they don't become laws that hurt our industry — either by amending/improving them or by killing them.

Below is a non-exhaustive list of these bills. You can read the text and background of any bill by going to [Texas Legislature Online - Bill Lookup](#) and typing in the bill number (e.g., "HB 2265" or "SB 803):

(Pictured right Rep. Jeff Leach)



AGC-Texas Building Branch bills

(Pictured left Sen. Bryan Hughes)

Contractors not responsible for Owner-caused delays on public projects – **HB 2265 / SB 803 (Rep Jeff Leach/Sen Bryan Hughes)**

Fix certificate of merit insurance dilemma re: 3rd party claims on design-build jobs – **HB 2007 / SB 2488 (Rep Mando Martinez/Sen Tan Parker)**

State preemption of local anti-construction ordinances – **HB 2127 / SB 814 (Rep Dustin Burrows/Sen Brandon Creighton)** and **SB 130 (Sen Donna Campbell)**

School background checks database access fix for workers on K-12 projects – **HB 4123 / SB 1785 (Rep Ryan Guillen/Sen Judith Zaffirini)**

Funding for workforce/vocational training – **HJR 201 / SJR 81 (Rep Terry Wilson/Sen Brian Birdwell)**, **HB 8 / SB 2589 (Rep Gary VanDeaver/Sen Brandon Creighton)**



Other construction bills

(Pictured left Rep. Mando Martinez)

Mandatory E-verify – **HB 3846 / SB 1621**

Funding for additional construction projects – **HB 1 / SB 30 / SB 1332 / HB 3050 / SB 1333**

Allowing 3rd-party permitting/inspections on city and county projects – **HB 14 / SB 1786**

Repeal of sales tax for repairs/remodels – [HB 3622 / SB 2187](#)

Public-private partnerships – [SB 1984](#)

New State economic development program for corporate recruitment – [HB 5](#)

Hardening schools/making them more safe - [HB 3 / HB 13 / HB 4406 / HJR 170](#)

Requiring lawsuits on Texas construction projects be filed in Texas – [HB 2879](#)

Limit time cities can take to review building permits – [HB 3826 / SB 560](#)

Use of Project Labor Agreements by local govts – [SB 936](#)

Limiting use of workers comp experience modifiers to award contracts – [HB 679](#)

New specialty court for hearing business-to-business disputes – [HB 19 / SB 27](#)

Raising \$ thresholds for requiring performance and payment bonds – [HB 857](#)

AGC TEXAS BUILDING BRANCH 2023 CALENDAR

Friday, April 21

Board of Directors Meeting - 10 am
Austin

Sunday, June 11 - Tuesday, June 13

2023 Convention
The Chateaux, Deer Valley, Park City, Utah

Thursday, September 14

Outstanding Construction Awards & Zero Lost Workday Safety Awards - 5:30 pm
Georgetown Sheraton

Friday, September 15

Board of Directors Meeting - 9 am
Georgetown Sheraton

Friday, November 10

Board of Directors Meeting - 10 am
Austin

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