

# Agenda of Special Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Seguin ISD

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A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Seguin ISD will be held October 10, 2023, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, 1221 E Kingsbury, Seguin, TX 78155.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

1. **Call to Order**

- A. Establish Quorum
- B. Announcement that this meeting of the Seguin Independent School District has been duly called and that notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.043 of the Texas Government Code.
- C. Pledges to the United States Flag and Texas Flag. Moment of silence.

2. **Audience with the Board**

The Seguin ISD Board of Trustees designates a time for audience participation at the beginning of each meeting to hear persons who desire to make comments. In accordance with Board Policy BED(Local):

- A. those wishing to speak shall sign up before the meeting begins stating the concern or noting the agenda item they wish to address; audience participation is limited to five minutes; the Board shall not deliberate any subject that is not on the posted agenda.

3. **Open Session:**

- A. 2023 Legislative Update 2
- B. Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes Training

4. **Closed Session:** Board will adjourn into closed session pursuant to the following sections of the Texas Open Meetings Act

- A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section §§ 551.071, 551.074, 551.129 - Consultation with legal counsel including possible telephone consultation with legal counsel, as necessary, to address legal concerns, implications, and answer any legal questions regarding posted agenda items.
- B. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section § 551.074, Discussion regarding District 3 Trustee vacancy.
- C. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section § 551.074 - Discuss personnel matters, including appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a employee(s).
- D. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section § 551.072 - Discuss the sale, purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

5. **Adjourn**

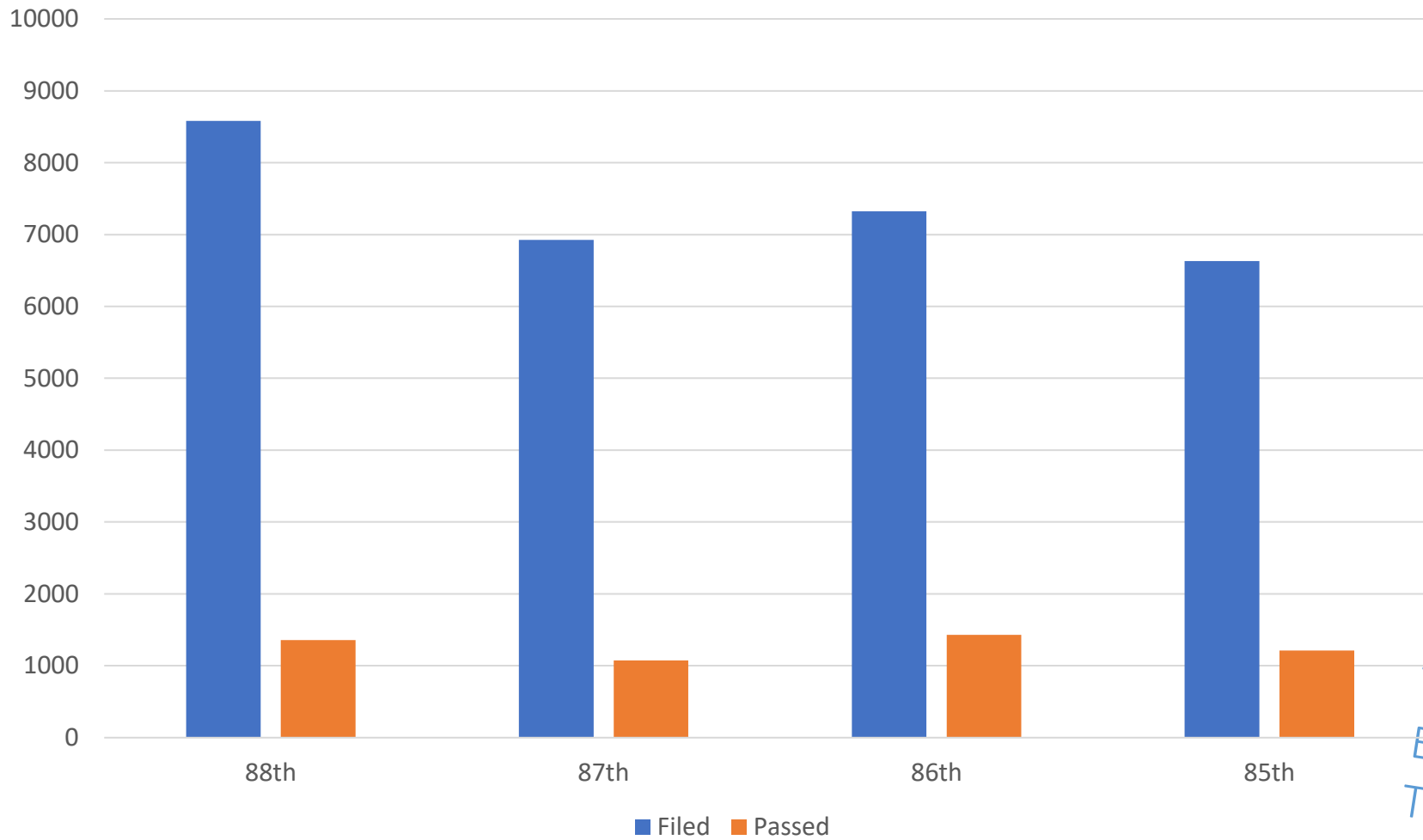
# Seguin ISD Legislative Update



This information is provided for educational purposes only to facilitate a general understanding of the law or other regulatory matter. This information is neither an exhaustive treatment on the subject nor is this intended to substitute for the advice of an attorney or other professional advisor. Consult with your attorney or professional advisor to apply these principles to specific fact situations.

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# 88<sup>th</sup> Legislature Stats



TASB followed  
**23.36%** of all  
legislation filed this  
session.

The House Committee on Public  
Education met for 73 hours.  
The Senate Committee on Education  
met for 58 hours.



# State Budget

## HB I (Bonnen)

- \$321.3 B over biennium (all funds)
- \$144.1 B in general revenue
- \$17.6 B for property tax relief
  - \$12.3 B for new reductions
  - \$5.3 B for previous compression



# State Budget

HB I includes:

- \$33 B in GR for public education.
- \$8.5 B for property tax compression.
- \$9.3 B expected in recapture payments.
- \$8.6 B in new public education spending...



# State Budget

That \$8.6 B in new spending includes:

- \$2.36 B for golden penny yield increase.
- \$500 M for instructional materials (HB 1605).
- \$300 M for school safety (HB 3).
- \$588.5 M for TRS-ActiveCare.
- \$60 M for Instructional Facilities Allotment.



# State Budget

That \$8.6 B also includes:

- \$3.99 B for school funding and teacher pay increases.
- \$500 M for education savings accounts or other voucher programs.

...which didn't pass.



# Supplemental Budget

**SB 30** (Huffman) spends \$13.2 B of \$33 B budget surplus, including:

- \$1.1 B for school safety grants.
- \$75 M to shore up SPED funding after federal penalty.

...BTW, this includes \$8.4 B in FSP savings because of increased ISD taxes.



# Cost of Living for Retirees

**SB 10** (Huffman) – Cost-of-living adjustment and 13th check for retired educators.

**HJR 2** (Bonnen) – proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide a one-time or ongoing benefit enhancements to eligible annuitants of TRS.





# Economic Development Agreements

(The agreements formally known as 313s)

**HB 5** (Hunter) establishes tax abatement program between districts and certain companies overseen by state comptroller.

# Taxes

**HB 1228** (Metcalf) requires electronic communication of property tax appraisal information if requested.

**HB 3273** (Thierry) requires notice of online availability of property tax information.



# School Safety

## HB 3 (Burrows) – School safety and security requirements.

- Armed security required on each campus
- Funding changes
- ESC support
- School safety office in TEA
- Audits and consequences for noncompliance
- Mental health first aid training



# School Safety

**SB 838** (Creighton) requires panic alert technology in classrooms.

**HB 3623** (Hefner) – MOUs between schools on use of school marshals.

# Student Health

**SB 294** (Johnson) establishes protocols on use of medication designated for treatment of respiratory distress on public and private school campuses.

**SB 629** (Menendez) establishes protocols on use of opioid antagonists on public and private school campuses.



# Student Health

**HB 3908** (Wilson) establishes Fentanyl Awareness Week for public school students in grades 6 through 12.

**HB 4375** (VanDeaver) requires instruction on the use of CPR and automated external defibrillators in public schools.



# Charter School Bills

**HB 1707** (Klick) requires municipalities to treat charters like districts regarding permitting, zoning, etc.

- 20-day notice to ISDs/legislators
- Removes impact fees from exemptions
- Subjects charters/CMOs to public information laws
- Prohibits self-dealing

# Instructional Materials

**HB 1605** (Buckley) – TEA open resource instructional material program.

- Materials are optional for districts
- Requires parent portals
- \$40 per-student allotment plus \$20 per-student allotment for printing
- Prohibits multiple reviews of content
- Amends teacher duty requirements



# Library Books

**HB 900** (Patterson) requires Texas library commission to develop standards for school library collections.

- Vendors must rate books according to standards.
- Schools may not purchase sexually explicit materials and must review library books every five years.



# Chaplains in Schools

**SB 763** (Middleton) allows schools to employ or to have volunteer chaplains on campus.





# Crown Act

**HB 567** (Bowers) prohibits discrimination on the basis of hair texture or protective hairstyle.



# Homeschoolers in UIL

**HB 3708** (Buckley) provides \$1,500 allotment for non-enrolled students participating in UIL activities.

**HB 699** (Frank) requires UIL to use same formula for determining league classification.



# State Tests

**HB 1416** (Bell) relates to accelerated instruction provided to public school students who fail to achieve satisfactory performance on certain assessment instruments.

# State Tests

**HB 1225** (Metcalf) relates to the administration of certain required state tests in paper format.

**HB 1883** (Bhojani) prohibits administration of state assessment on religious holy days.





# Grade Promotion

**HB 3803** (Cunningham) allows parents and guardians to elect for a student to repeat or retake a course or grade.

**SB 2124** (Creighton) relates to opt-out policies for accelerated math courses for certain students.

# Career Investigation Day

**SB 68** (Zaffirini) allows excused absences for certain students visiting a professional's workplace for a career investigation day.



# Teacher Certification

**HB 621** (Shaheen) creates a temporary educator certification for certain military service members.



# Student Transfers

**HB 1959** (Noble) allows peace officers to transfer their students to another campus or district.

**HB 2892** (Buckley) allows military service-members to transfer their students to another campus or district.



# Student Enrollment

**SB 1008** (Flores) provides additional time for military service-members to establish residency for purposes of admission into public schools.



# School Bus Drivers

**HB 1789** (Buckley) addresses nepotism prohibitions pertaining to school bus drivers.



# Broadband

**HB 9** (Ashby) relates to the development and funding of broadband services.

**HJR 125** (Ashby) proposes a constitutional amendment creating the Broadband Infrastructure Fund to support broadband projects across the state.

# Unfunded Mandates

**SB 2069** (Bettencourt) relates to the required posting of human trafficking signs around schools.



# What is coming next?

A special session? Special sessions?



# Don't forget to vote!

## November 2023 Election

Early voting begins October 23.

Election day is November 7, 2023.

## March 2024 Primaries

Early voting begins February 23.

Primary election day is March 5.



# Questions?

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## *Legislative Update*

*October 10, 2023*

# CEC 2165

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