**SAMCo Legislative Tracking Sheet – 2023 Regular Session**

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KEY OUTCOMES – SAMCo SUPPORTED ISSUES

* + **Proposition 1 Extension (HB 2230)** – HB 2230 (Canales) to extend the expiration date for Proposition 1 funding from 2034 to 2042 passed the Senate by a vote of 31-0 on May 15, following House passage by a margin of 146-1 on May 2. On May 17, the Senate concurred with House amendments that resulted in an eight-year extension rather than a total elimination of the expiration date. The measure ensures that the State Highway Fund will continue to receive an annual allocation of revenue from oil and gas severance taxes. Forty (40) percent of TxDOT’s annual revenue (about $6 billion) currently is derived from Proposition 1 and Proposition 7 funding (see next item below) originally approved by voters in 2014 and 2015.
	+ **Proposition 7 Extension (SCR 2)** – SCR 2 (Nichols) to extend the expiration dates for the general sales tax and the vehicle sales tax provisions of Proposition 7 for another decade passed the Senate by a vote of 31-0 on April 17 and the House on May 17 by 144-0. SCR 2 ensures the $3 billion plus annual revenue from Prop 7 will remain an important funding source for TxDOT until 2042 (sales tax) and 2039 (vehicle sales tax).
	+ **EV Road Use Fee (SB 505)** – After six years of effort, SB 505 passed the Senate 31-0, the House 145-0, and was signed into law by the Governor on May 13. The bill, which implements a $200/year additional registration fee for electric vehicles to replace lost gas tax revenue, takes effect September 1, 2023. Passage will ensure that there is an almost dollar for dollar replacement for gas and diesel taxes as electric vehicles become a greater share of the overall vehicle fleet.
	+ **TxDOT Biennial Budget (HB 1)** – With passage by the Senate and House of a final conference committee report on the final weekend of the session, TxDOT’s 2024-2025 biennial budget was set at $37.22 billion, an increase of 22 percent over the 2022-2023 budget of $30.35 billion. This is primary due to record levels of revenue from Proposition 1, Proposition 7, and federal funds.
	+ **Expanded Authority for TxDOT on Military Installations (SB 1524)** – SB 1524 (Blanco) was sent to the Governor on May 11 after having passed both Houses. The companion bill (HB 4140) was sponsored by Rep. Lujan of San Antonio.
	+ **Successfully Opposed: SB 1110** – SAMCo joined the efforts of the City of San Antonio and others to oppose SB 1110 (Schwertner) to restrict use of revenue from municipally-owned utilities due its potential adverse impact on funding for local infrastructure and the City’s bond rating. The bill has been left pending in committee.

**Notable Losses:** While HB 2795 (Canales) regarding funding for a SH 130 connector from IH 35 & SH 130 concession extension passed the House 99-46, it was not afforded a hearing on the Senate side. The effort, however, has done much to raise awareness of the eventual need for such a connector project. Similarly, HB 78 (Ortega) passed the House 84 to 57 but was not afforded a hearing on the Senate side. Rep. Lujan and Rep. Lopez had successfully included an amendment to HB 78 to authorize an additional $10.00 registration fee for Bexar County/Alamo RMA.

**TxDOT General Fund Budget – Preserve/Expand Existing Funding Streams; Continue Non-Diversion Policy**

**SB 1 (Huffman) –** General Appropriations Bill. As introduced, SB 1 provides $35.56 billion in funding for TxDOT for the 2024-2025 biennium compared with $30.35 billion as budgeted for the 2022-2023 biennium. Proposition 1 revenue is estimated to total $5.4 billion for the biennium, while Proposition 7 is estimated to total $6.1 billion, both at record levels. Federal funds and reimbursements are budgeted at $12.84 billion for the biennium. Traditional revenue from the gas tax and registration fees are budgeted at $8.2 billion. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB1)  *Status*: Introduced 1/18/23. Referred to Finance 1/24/23. Hearing held on Texas Department of Transportation biennial budget 2/14/23. See below as key provisions of the Senate budget have been incorporated into the Senate Substitute for HB 1. *SAMCo Position*: Supports continuation and expansion of the current transportation funding framework, including full funding of Propositions 1 and 7 and no diversions from the State Highway Fund.

**HB 1 (Bonnen)** – General Appropriations Bill. As introduced, HB 1 provides $35.56 billion in funding for TxDOT for the 2024-2025 biennium compared with $30.35 billion as budgeted for the 2022-2023 biennium. Proposition 1 revenue is estimated to total $5.4 billion for the biennium, while Proposition 7 is estimated to total $6.1 billion, both at record levels. Federal funds and reimbursements are budgeted at $12.84 billion for the biennium. Traditional revenue from the gas tax and registration fees are budgeted at $8.2 billion. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB1)  *Status*: Introduced 1/18/23. Hearing held in Appropriations 2/15/23. Hearing set before Appropriations Subcommittee 2/21/23. Hearing held before the Appropriations Committee on 3/23/23. Reported favorably as substituted 3/23/23. As passed by the Committee, TxDOT revenue was adjusted upward to $37.13 billion for the biennium, including $6.8 billion for Proposition 1 and $6.4 billion for Proposition 7. Scheduled for floor vote on 4/6/23. Passed House by vote of 86-52 on 4/6/23. Referred to Senate Finance 4/11/23. Hearing held and reported favorably as substituted 4/12/23. Placed on intent calendar 4/13/23. Passed Senate 4/17/23. Senate and House appoint conferees 4/20/23. A conference committee report was filed 5/24/23. On 5/25/23 the Senate approved the conference committee report. On 5/27/23 the conference committee report passed the House. The final version of the budget includes $37.22 billion for TxDOT (up 22 percent from the previous biennium) with $6.87 billion from Proposition 1 and $6.43 billion from Proposition 7. *SAMCo Position*: Supports continuation and expansion of the current transportation funding framework, including full funding of Propositions 1 and 7 and no diversions from the State Highway Fund.

**Proposition 1 – Eliminate Expiration Date**

**SB 225 (Nichols)** – Eliminates the December 31, 2034 expiration date for Proposition 1. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB225)  *Status*: Introduced 11/15/22. Referred to Finance 2/15/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**SB 1232 (Nichols)** – Extends the December 31, 2034 expiration date for Proposition 1 to 2042. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB1232)  *Status*: Introduced 3/3/23. Referred to Finance 3/9/23. Hearing held 4/3/23. SAMCo registered in support and encouraged others in SAMCo and TAoT to do the same. 22 individuals registered in support of the bill; none opposed. Reported favorably 4/12/23 by vote of 17-0. Placed on Senate intent calendar for 4/17/23. Passed Senate by vote of 31-0 on 4/18/23. Received from Senate 4/18/23. Referred to House Appropriations 4/24/23. Reported favorably 5/9/23. Committee report to Calendars 5/16/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**HB 2230 (Canales)** – Eliminates the December 31, 2034 expiration date for Proposition 1. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB2230)  *Status*: Introduced 2/13/23. Referred to Appropriations 3/9/23. Hearing held 4/17/23. Numerous individuals from SAMCo and TAoT registered in support. Reported favorably on 25-0 vote 4/20/23. Committee report sent to Calendars 4/26/23. Placed on General State Calendar 5/1/23. TAoT and SAMCo action alerts were distributed. Postponed 5/1/23. Passed House 5/2/23 by vote of 146-1. Received in Senate from House 5/3/23. Referred to Senate Finance 5/4/23. Hearing held and reported favorably as substituted (eight-year extension) 5/10/23. Passed the Senate by vote of 31-0 as amended on 5/15/23. The House concurred in the Senate amendments on 5/17/23. The bill has been sent to the Governor to sign. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**Proposition 7 – Extend Expiration Date**

**SCR 2 (Nichols)** – Extends Proposition 7 funding from general sales taxes to 2042 and extends Proposition 7 funding from motor vehicle sales taxes until 2039. These provisions currently expire in 2032 and 2029, respectively. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SCR2)  *Status*: Introduced 11/14/22. Referred to Transportation 02/15/23. Hearing held 3/29/23. SAMCo registered in support of the bill and encouraged others in SAMCo and TAoT to do the same. There were 24 supportive witness cards. Reported favorably by a vote of 9-0 on 3/29/23. Placed on Senate intent calendar 4/13/23. Passed Senate by vote of 31-0 on 4/17/23. Received in House 4/18/23. Referred to Appropriations 4/19/23. Reported favorably 4/20/23. Committee report sent to Calendars 4/26/23. On May 15 House Resolutions Calendar; postponed to May 17. Passed House 144-0 on May 17. The resolution has been sent to the Governor to sign. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**HCR 47 (Canales)** – Companion to SCR 2. Extends Proposition 7 funding from general sales taxes to 2042 and extends Proposition 7 funding from motor vehicle sales taxes until 2039. These provisions currently expire in 2032 and 2029, respectively. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HCR47)  *Status*: Introduced 2/13/23. Referred to Appropriations 3/2/23. Hearing held 4/17/23. Numerous individuals from SAMCo and TAoT registered in support. 4/17/23 – Left pending. See above – committee reported favorably SCR 2 instead. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**Fee In Lieu of Gas Tax for Electric Vehicles**

**SB 505 (Nichols)** – Imposes an additional annual registration fee of $400 for new electric vehicles (two-year initial registration) and $200 for other annual registrations and renewals of electric vehicles. All fees collected to be deposited to the credit of the state highway fund. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB505)  *Status*: Introduced 1/19/23. Referred to Transportation 2/17/23. Hearing held 3/22/23. Vic Boyer testified on behalf of both TAoT and SAMCo and encouraged members of both organizations to submit supportive witness cards. 30 registered in support with 0 against. Recommended for local and uncontested calendar 3/22/23. Placed on intent calendar 3/27/23. Passed Senate by a vote of 31-0 on 3/29/23. Referred to House Transportation 4/3/23. Reported favorably 4/24/23. Passed Senate on second reading 142-4 on 4/26/23. Passed on third reading 145-0. Signed in House and Senate; sent to the Governor 5/2/23. On 5/5/23 supportive letters from TAoT and SAMCo were sent to the Governor’s Office to encourage his signature. SB 505 was signed by the Governor on 5/13/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**HB 820 (King of Hemphill)** – Imposes an additional annual registration fee of $200 for electric vehicles and $100 for hybrid vehicles with 90 percent of the revenue collected to be deposited to the state highway fund and 10 percent to an electric vehicle battery disposal account. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB820)  *Status*: Introduced 11/29/22. Referred to Transportation 3/1/23. Scheduled for hearing on Wednesday, April 5, 10:30 AM or upon adjournment in E2.036. *SAMCo Position*: Supports general concept but will focus on Chair Canales’ version (SB 2199) to be heard during the same hearing which is identical to SB 505 that passed the Senate on 3/29/33.

**HB 960 (Jetton)** – Imposes an additional annual registration fee of $100 for electric vehicles with all revenue collected to be deposited to the state highway fund. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB960)  *Status*: Introduced 12/09/22. Referred to Transportation 3/2/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**HB 2027 (Dean)** – Imposes a road use tax of $1,200 on the retail sale of electric vehicles with all revenue collected to be allocated in the same manner as the gas tax. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB2027)  *Status*: Introduced 2/8/23. Referred to Transportation 3/8/23. Scheduled for hearing on Wednesday, April 5, 10:30 AM or upon adjournment in E2.036. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 2028 (Dean)** – Imposes a motor fuel tax recovery fee for registration of electric vehicles with all revenue collected to be allocated in the same manner as the gas tax. The fee would be no less than $300 per year to be adjusted every five years by the department. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB2028)  *Status*: Introduced 2/8/23. Referred to Transportation 3/8/23. Scheduled for hearing on Wednesday, April 5, 10:30 AM or upon adjournment in E2.036. *SAMCo Position*: Supports general concept but will focus on Chair Canales’ version (SB 2199) to be heard during the same hearing which is identical to SB 505 that passed the Senate on 3/29/33.

**HB 2199 (Canales)** – Imposes an additional annual registration fee of $400 for new electric vehicles (two-year initial registration) and $200 for other annual registrations and renewals of electric vehicles. All fees collected to be deposited to the credit of the state highway fund. Companion bill to SB 505. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB2199)  *Status*: Introduced 2/13/23. Referred to Transportation 3/9/23. Hearing held 4/5/23 Wednesday. SAMCo and TAoT registered in support. Reported favorably 4/12/23 by 12-0 vote. Sent to Calendars on 4/17/23. Placed on the General State Calendar. SB 505 was substituted; HB 2199 laid on the table 4/26/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**Optional Vehicle Registration Fee – Counties in Alamo Area MPO Region**

**HB 992 (Lopez)** – Adds Bexar County to the list of counties eligible for the additional $20 vehicle registration fee. Note: Bexar County already has the first $10 additional registrion fee in place. The bill would allow an increase from $10 to $20. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB992)  *Status*: Introduced 12/13/22. Referred to Transportation 3/2/23. No hearing held on 5/3/23. Key provisions of HB 992 amended to HB 78 (Ortega) on 5/1/23. Passed House by vote of 84 to 57 on 5/2/23. Received from the House 5/3/23. As of May 19, it appears HB 27 will not be afforded a hearing in the Senate. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**Connector IH 35 to SH 130**

**SB 1071 (Campbell)** – Extends the existing concession agreement (CDA) for SH 130 (Segments 5 and 6) by up to 20 years in exchange for funding to TxDOT to build a non-toll connector highway between IH 35 and SH 130. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB1071)  *Status*: Introduced 2/21/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports; will review specifics of any committee substitute.

**HB 2795 (Canales)** – Extends the existing concession agreement (CDA) for SH 130 (Segments 5 and 6) by up to 20 years in exchange for funding to TxDOT to build a non-toll connector highway between IH 35 and SH 130. Companion bill to SB 1071. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB2795)  *Status*: Introduced 2/24/23. Referred to Transportation 3/13/23. Public hearing held 3/29/23. SAMCo registered in support of the bill and encouraged others to do the same. Fifteen testified for; 8 against. Reported favorably (8-3) on 4/5/23. Placed on General State Calendar for 4/26/23. SAMCo communicated its support by emails/calls to the SA delegation on 4/24/23. Passed House (no record vote) on second reading 4/26/23. Passed House on third reading 99-46 on 4/27/23. Received in House and referred to Transportation 5/1/02. As of May 19, it appears HB 2795 will not be afforded a hearing on the Senate side. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**Study of Future Transportation Funding Needs**

**HB 1638 (Canales)** – Requires the Texas Department of Transportation to appoint a Blue-Ribbon Committee and work with the Texas Transportation Institute to conduct a comprehensive study of state, regional and local transportation needs to the year 2045, including changes in technology, funding gaps, and related factors. The report is to be submitted to the legislature by December 1, 2024. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB1638)  *Status*: Introduced 1/25/23. Referred to Transportation 3/7/23. Hearing not held 3/22/23. Bill appears to have died in committee. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**Other Bills of Interest**

**SJR 37 (Miles)** – Proposes a constitutional amendment to permit additional uses for money transferred from the general revenue fund to the state highway fund (Proposition 1) including public transit, public bicycle paths, and public sidewalks. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB1110)  *Status*: Introduced /26/23. Referred to Transportation 2/17/23. *SAMCo Position*: Evaluating.

**SB 254 (Eckhardt)** – Increases the state’s gasoline and diesel taxes from 20 to 40 cents per gallon. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB254)  *Status*: Introduced 12/1/22. Referred to Finance 2/15/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**SB 1110 (Schwertner)** – Would restrict use of municipally-owned utility revenue by the municipality. As drafted has the potential to eliminate more than 25 percent of the City of San Antonio’s General Fund Revenue potentially impacting the City’s credit rating, the ability of the City to pursue infrastructure projects, future bond programs, etc. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/Text.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB2219)  *Status*: Introduced 2/22/23. Referred to Business & Commerce 3/9/23. Public hearing held 3/21/23. Left pending 3/21/23. SAMCo provided a witness card in opposition. The bill was left pending in committee on 3/21/23 and is now effectively dead. *SAMCo Position*: Opposes.

**SB 2219 (Blanco)** – Requires the Commission to establish a funding category for ports of entry including projects in the Texas-Mexico Border Transportation Plan. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/Text.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=SB2219)  *Status*: Introduced 3/10/23. Referred to Transportation 3/30/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HJR 77 (Walle)** – Proposes a constitutional amendment to permit additional uses for money transferred from the general revenue fund to the state highway fund (Proposition 1) including public transit, public bicycle paths, and public sidewalks. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HJR77)  *Status*: Introduced 1/17/23. Referred to Transportation 3/3/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HJR 111 (Landgraf)** – Proposes a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas severance tax revenue and oil and natural gas (Texas STRONG) defense fund and dedicates certain revenues to areas of the state significantly impacted by oil and gas production. Reduces the allocation of severance taxes to the economic stabilization fund from 50 to 38 percent; allocates 10 percent to the STRONG fund, and 2 percent to two other funds. As drafted, retains the 50 percent allocation to the state highway fund. Establishes a grant program from STRONG funds to political subdivisions, higher education institutions, etc. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HJR111)  *Status*: Introduced 1/17/23. Referred to Appropriations 3/13/23. Scheduled for hearing 4/17/23. Reported favorably 4/20/23. Placed on Constitutional Amendments calendar for 5/1/23. Adopted 5/1/23. Referred to Finance 5/4/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken. Watching for any amendments to the 50 percent allocation to the state highway fund.

**HJR 144 (Canales)** – Proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing money in the state highway fund for roadways for seaports, airports, spaceports, land ports of entry, and international bridges. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HJR144)  *Status*: Introduced 3/3/23. Referred to Transportation 3/13/23. Reported favorably 4/5/23. Placed on Constitutional Amendments Calendar 4/20/23. Adopted as amended 4/20/23 by vote of 144-0. Received in Senate and referred to Transportation 4/24/23. Referred to Transportation 4/24/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken following review by SAMCo Legislative Committee on 3/20/23 and 5/01/23.

**HJR 204 (Bucy)** – Proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing use of the state highway fund for transit-oriented projects. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/Text.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HJR204)  *Status*: Introduced 3/10/23. Referred to Transportation 3/24/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 321 (Lopez)** – Indexes the state’s gasoline and diesel taxes to the Highway Cost Index (HCI) providing annual increases/decreases based upon the index. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB321)  *Status*: Introduced 12/1/22. Referred to Ways & Means 2/23/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**HB 1392 (Craddick)** – Permits allocation of a portion of oil and gas severance taxes (Proposition 1) to a Grow Texas Fund – with potentially less funding for the state highway fund. The Grow Texas Fund would be used to provide grants for road construction & maintenance, schools, health care facilities, and other infrastructure in areas of the state the commission determines to be significantly affected by oil and gas production. Scheduled for hearing 4/17/23. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB1392)  *Status*: Introduced 1/18/23. Referred to Appropriations 3/3/23. Reported favorably 4/20/23. Placed on General State Calendar 5/1/23. Passed 5/2/23. Received from House 5/3/23. Referred to Finance 5/4/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 2207 (Landgraf)** – Enabling legislation for HJR 111 above. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB2207)  *Status*: Introduced 2/13/23. Referred to Appropriations 3/9/23. Scheduled for hearing 4/17/23. Reported favorably 4/20/23. Placed on the General State Calendar 5/1/23. Passed House 5/2/23. Received in Senate from House 5/3/23. Referred to Finance 5/4/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 2832 (Reynolds)** – Establishes a multi-modal project revolving fund to be capitalized from appropriations, bonds, and other sources for qualified local governments, port authorities and special districts. Qualified projects must enhance connectivity between marine ports, airports, inland ports, and the state highway system, including projects that deepen or widen a ship channel. Allows the Commission to issue revenue bonds of 50 or 100 years. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB2832)  *Status*: Introduced 2/24/23. Referred to Transportation 3/14/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 3270 (Ortega)** – Authorizes TxDOT to allocate Category 12 funding to projects included in the Texas-Mexico Border Transportation Master Plan. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB3270)  *Status*: Introduced 3/3/23. Referred to Transportation 3/16/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 3418 (Canales)** – Authorizes implementation by TxDOT of a vehicle mileage user fee pilot program and a task force to assist in developing and evaluating the program. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB3418)  *Status*: Introduced 3/3/23. Referred to Transportation 3/16/23. Hearing held 3/29/23. 1 supportive witness; 13 opposed. 12 registered in support; 13 against. Reported favorably as substituted by vote of 10-1 on 4/5/23. Committee report sent to Calendars 4/17/23. Placed on General State Calendar 5/4/23. Passed on 2nd reading 102-33 on 5/4/23. Heard in Senate Transportation and left pending in Committee 5/17/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports a broad-based fee. Opposes bill as drafted as it focuses exclusively on commercial vehicles. Communicated SAMCo’s concerns to House Transportation Committee staff on 3/24/23.

**HB 3805 (Canales)** – Requires TxDOT to establish by rule a UTP programming category for projects related to border security and international trade corridors. Projects must be within sixty miles of a Texas-Mexico border crossing. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB3805)  *Status*: Introduced 3/7/23. Referred to Transportation 3/20/23. Hearing held 3/29/23. Reported favorably as substituted 4/5/23. Passed House 4/18/23. Referred to Transportation 4/19/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 3812 (Jetton)** – Establishes a Texas Infrastructure Fund to be funded from appropriations and interest for the comptroller to award grants to public/private entities for infrastructure projects - water, rail, broadband, highways, toll roads, aviation, rail, transit, etc. Establishes an oversite committee (Governor, Lt. Governor, Speaker, TxDOT Executive Directors, and others). To support public-private partnerships under certain conditions. Comptroller to develop rules, eligibility criteria, etc. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB3812)  *Status*: Introduced 3/7/23. Referred to State Affairs 3/20/23. *SAMCo Position*: No position taken.

**HB 3899 (Troxclair)** – Restricts ability of transit systems to make use of property tax revenue for bonding projects. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/history.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB3899)  *Status*: Introduced 3/7/23. Referred to Pensions, Investments, and Financial Services. Hearing held 4/5/23. Reported favorably as substituted 4/17/23. SAMCo registered against the bill. Placed on Local, Consent, Res. Calendar 5/2/23. Passed House 5/2/23 by vote of 132-12. Referred to Local Government 5/4/23. Hearing held 5/8/23 and left pending. Passed House 5/22/23. Point of order sustained in Senate 5/25/23. Returned from House for further action 5/26/23. *SAMCo Position*: Opposed. See also companion bill SB 1791.

**HB 4140 (Lujan)** – Expands authority for TxDOT to enter into agreements with USDOD or other federal entities to assist with provision of any department services including road maintenance, improvement, relocation, or extension services for military installations. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB4140)  *Status*: Introduced 3/8/23. Referred to Transportation 3/21/23. Hearing held 4/15/23. The SA Chamber testified in support. Reported favorably 4/12/23. Placed on General State Calendar (House) for 4/25/23. Passed House 142-4 on 4/25/23. Received by Senate 4/26/23. Note: The companion bill (SB 1524 – Blanco) passed the Senate 4/12/23; referred to Transportation 4/14/23; reported favorably 4/25/23. Passed the House 142-0 on 5/9/23. Signed by the Governor on 5/23/23. *SAMCo Position*: Supports.

**HB 5215 (Bucy)** – Enabling legislation for HJR 204. [*Link to Text and Bill Info*](https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB5215)  *Status*: Introduced 3/7/23. Referred to Transportation 3/24/32. *SAMCo Position*: Evaluating.