



Legislative and Public Policy Committee Meeting

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Networking and building business relationships and opportunities

November 10, 2023

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Committee Introductions

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2023 DFW Recipients



A/E/C Firm of the Year

Underground Support Services, LLC
Stephanie Teetes



Service Firm of the Year

DCG Environmental
Shelley Hines



Rising Star A/E/C Firm of the Year

ONC National
Jacquelyn Clayborn



Lifetime Achievement

Kayla Lindamood
Lindamood, Inc.



Business Advocate of the Year

Tracey Williams
Peckar & Abramson, P.C.



Outstanding Executive of the Year

Shelley Hines
DCG Environmental



Outstanding Professional of the Year

Reyna Hurtado
Arredondo, Zepeda & Brunz, LLC



Outstanding Administrative Professional of the Year

Veronica Perez
IBCTX, LLC

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Workforce Training

CORE Bilingual Construction Industry Program
(National Center for Construction Education and Research)

<https://regionalhca.org/nccer-core-training/>

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Speakers



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HEAVY HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION FORUM DALLAS & FORT WORTH

Friday, December 1, 2023
8:30 AM – 2:00 PM



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RSVP!
Lunch will be provided

The RHCA invites consultants, engineers, and contractors, in addition to any professional services or construction services companies interested in or currently working in the Heavy Highway and Transportation industry, to participate in this upcoming Forum. Join us to hear from key decision makers, including TxDOT and NTTA leadership as well as technical experts, as they speak about the State of the Industry and upcoming opportunities.

For More Information: call 972-786-0909 or email: julio@regionalhca.org

Friday, December 1 - Dallas & Fort Worth Districts: <https://form.jotform.com/231416413650144>

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RHCA Holiday Celebration
 The Twelve Days of Christmas and The Christmas Village at the Arboretum

RHCA Annual Toy and Food Drive
 Food Drive Benefiting area Senior Citizens

Thursday, December 14th, 2023
5:30 PM - 9 PM

Dallas Arboretum & Botanical Garden
 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, TX 75201

Registration Includes Parking & Admission

Event Registration

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Guest Speaker



Louann H. Martinez
Martinez & Associates

Bio:

Louann H. Martinez has over 40 years' experience in the Texas governmental and political arenas. She began her career as a legislative aide to former State Representative Sarah Weddington (D-Austin) in 1975 and honed her legislative skills working for other elected officials in the Texas Capitol over the next 15 years. Because of her legislative expertise and intricate knowledge of education issues, in 1988, Louann was tapped to serve as Associate Executive Director for Governmental Relations for the 2,500-member Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA), a position she held for more than a decade. In 2002, she joined Martinez & Associates, an independent government relations firm she cofounded with her husband, where she continued forging strong relationships with key lawmakers and policymakers in the area of public education.

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Louann H. Martinez
Legislative Consultant
Martinez & Associates



Agenda



RHCA Legislative
Committee identifies
legislative positions



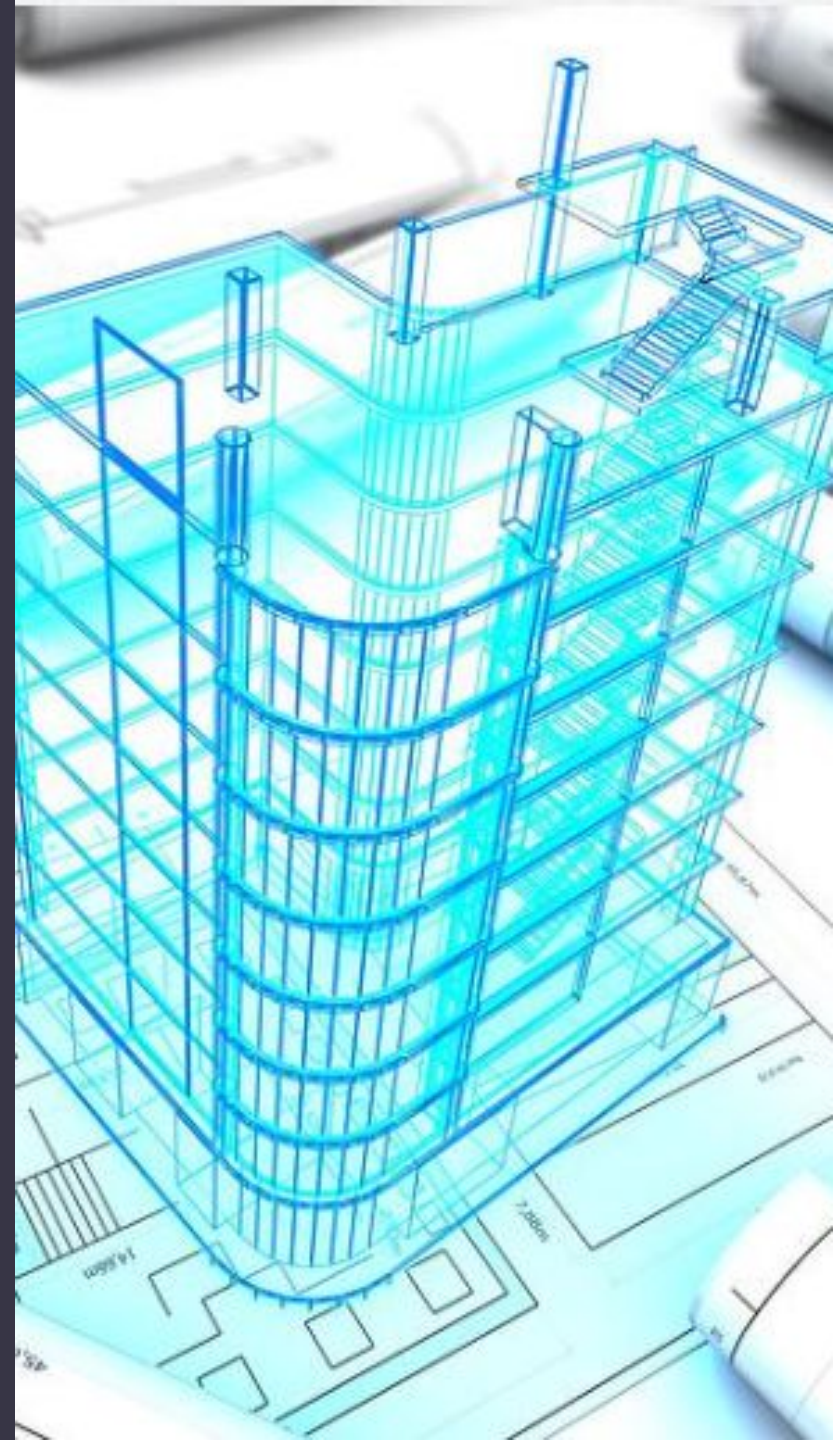
RHCA identifies
specific legislative
initiatives



RHCA discusses
possible interim
charges

Identify Priorities for the 89th Legislative Session

Now is the time to start focusing on RHCA's legislative positions for the next session. To refresh your memory, the legislative agenda for the 88th Session is on the following page.



Reminder...

Priorities for the 88th Legislative Session

Safety

- Focus on proposed legislation and policies that enhances and/or detrimentally impacts the safety of construction workers

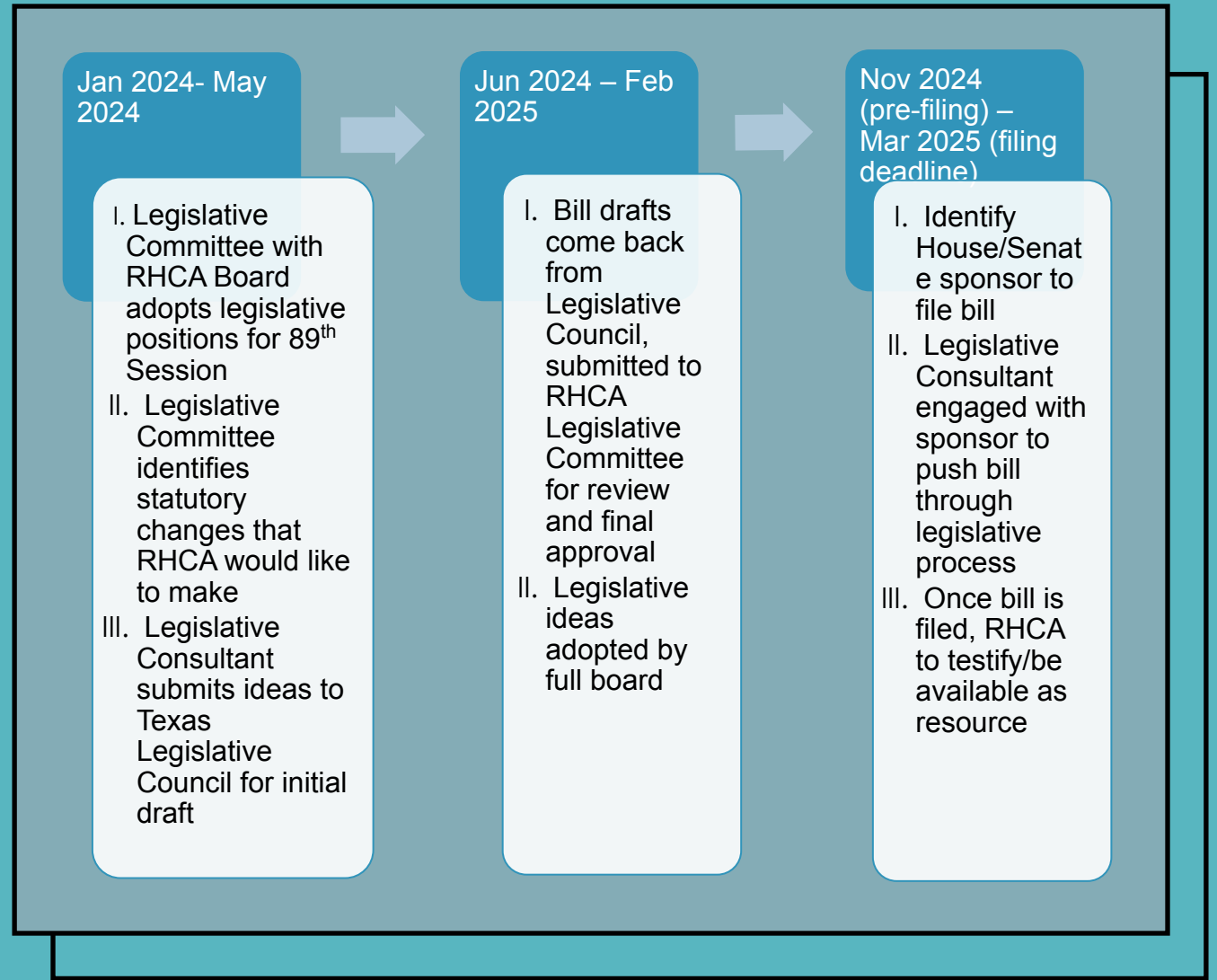
Workforce Development and Labor

- Support and encourage the enforcement of fair salaries and wages
- Initiatives to build or develop the workforce in the A/E/C industries
- Insurance and benefits

Economic Development and Inclusion

- Diverse Inclusion programs (HUB, DBE, SBE, MWBE, etc.)
- Bonding and Insurance requirements
- Financial Assistance for Business Development and Building Capacity
- Prompt Payment Clause

Timeline for Developing Legislative Positions and Specific Initiatives for 89th Legislative Session



Interim Charges

As soon as we are advised that interim committees will begin meeting, are there any issues that RHCA would like to be studying during the interim?

Committees we've worked with for RHCA in previous sessions

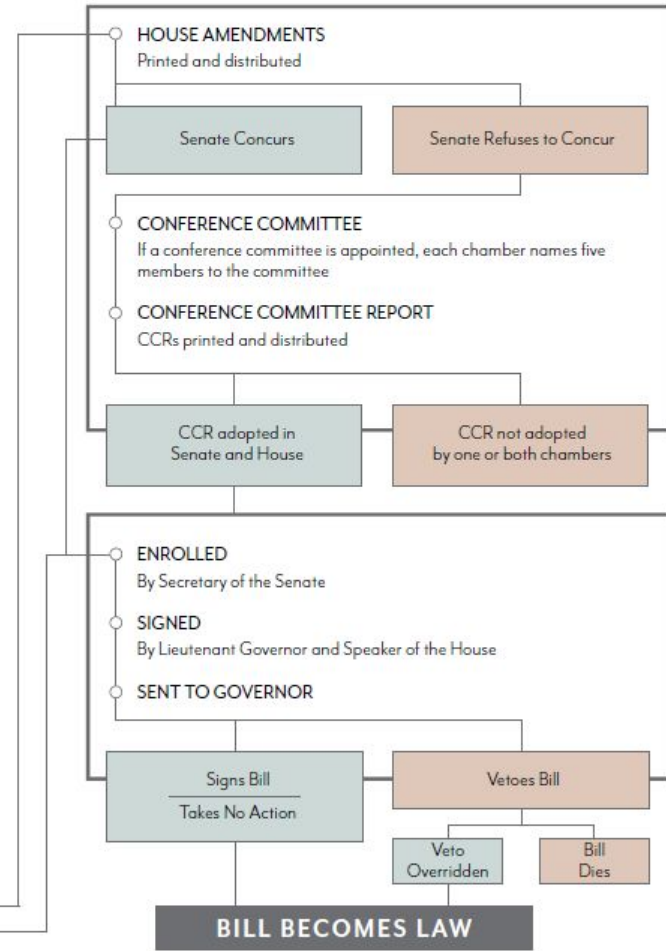
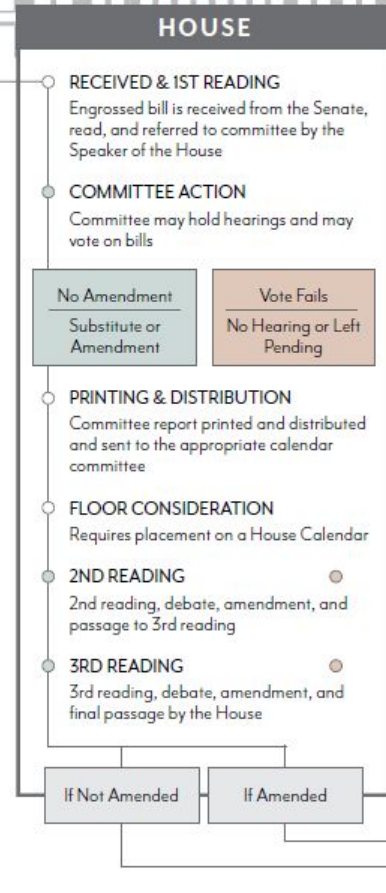
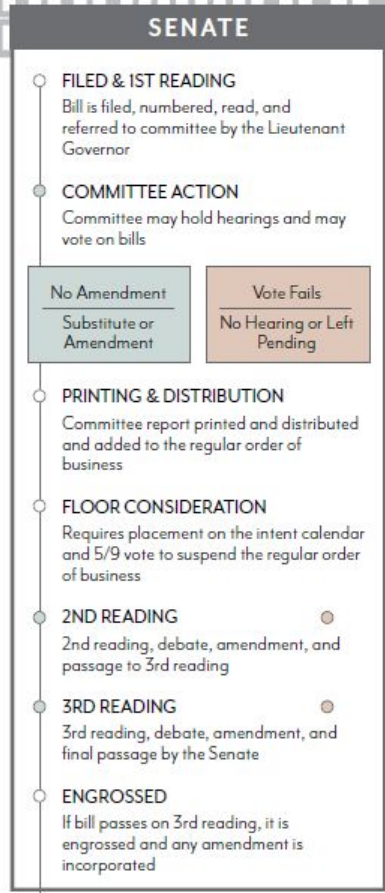
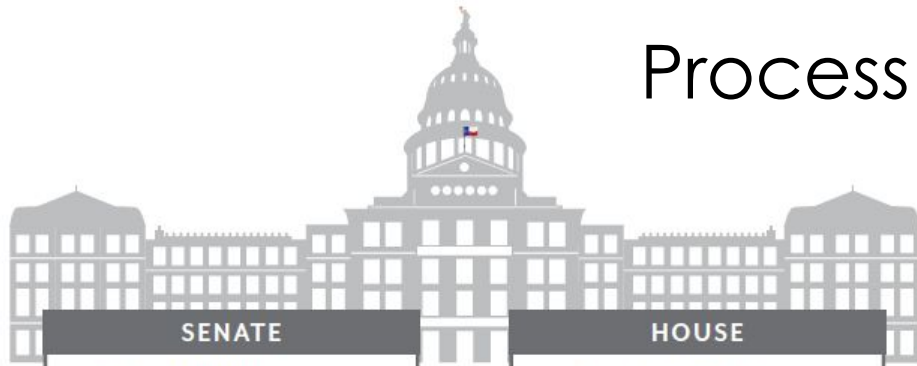
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- Business and Industry
- Environmental Regulation
- Higher Education
- International Relations/Economic Development
- Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
- Land and Resource Management
- State Affairs
- Urban Affairs

Senate

- Business and Commerce
- Local Government
- Natural Resources/Economic Development
- State Affairs

Process for Legislation



Thank you

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Q & A

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