



AGC-Texas Building Branch Legislative issues for 2021 Session

Offense

1. Contractors not liable for design defects – SB 219 (Hughes), HB 1418 (Leach)
2. Omnibus pandemic bill, business liability/insurance protections for contractors – SB 6 (Hancock), HB 3659 (Leach)
3. Uniform general conditions (UGCs) for K-12 building construction – SB 338 (Powell), HB 965 (Lucio III)
4. Deductibility of PPP loans for state franchise tax – SB 372 (Hancock), HB 1195 (Geren)
5. Shorten statute of repose for public work from 10 yrs (+2) to 5 yrs (+1) – HB 3069 (Holland)
6. Tuition revenue bonds (TRBs) for higher ed construction – SB 758 (Seliger), HB 449 (Turner)
7. Local preemption on private business (sick leave, scheduling, benefits, crim background) – SB 14 (Creighton)
8. Clean up court confusion re: quantum meruit claims against contractors ((*Skyline v. ISC Acquisition* – 5th Ct of Appeals, Dallas (2018)) – HB 3355 (Schofield)
9. Close CGL coverage gap for attorney's fees due to *In Re Nalle* case – HB 2416 (Gervin-Hawkins)
10. Modernizing/simplifying lien laws – HB 2237 (Burrows)
11. Fix from last session's right to repair bill – HB 3221 (Leach), SB 1781 (Creighton)
12. Fix from last session's contingency lawyers bill on construction defects– HB 1974 (Canales), SB 1821 (Huffman)
13. Fix last session's certificate of merit bill re: design-build problems – HB 3162 (Martinez)

Defense

- Construction defects bills from last session (defend HBs 1734, 1999, 2826 from 2019)
- Worker group initiatives
- Immigration, e-verify
- Disruptive procurement changes (CMAR, pre-qual, JOC)