

**Bill Statistics Report
April 19, 2023**

**Here are some statistics on bills introduced and moving this session.
These are accurate through April 18, 2023:**

SENATE:

Number of SB's and SJR's filed:	2,701
Number of SB's and SJR's not yet heard in Senate Committees:	1,770 (65.5%)
Number of SB's and SJR's heard in Senate Committees:	931 (34.5%)
Number of SB's and SJR's reported out of Senate Committees:	235 (8.7%)
Number of SB's/SJR's "voted" out but not yet "reported":	77
Number of SB's waiting for Local & Uncontested:	40
Number of SB's and SJR's passed by the Senate this session:	361 (13.3%)
Number of HB's passed by the Senate this session:	1

HOUSE:

Number of HB's and HJR's filed:	5,588
Number of HB's and HJR's not yet heard in House Committees:	3,270 (58.5%)
Number of HB's and HJR's heard in House Committees:	2,318 (41.5%)
Number of HB's/HJR's reported out of House Committees:	587 (10.5%)
Number of HB's/HJR's "voted" out but not yet "reported":	487
Number of HB's and HJR's in House Calendars Committee:	385
Number of HB's and HJR's in Local & Consent Committee:	78
Number of HB's and HJR's passed by the House this session:	186 (3.3%)
Number of SB's and SJR's passed by the House this session:	2

Here are some historical stats on bills filed vs. bills passed:

2021 – 1,071 of 6,927 – 15.46%
2019 - 1,438 of 7,541 – 19.0%
2017 – 1,216 of 6,800 – 17.88%
2015 – 1,330 of 6,476 – 20.54%
2013 – 1,444 of 6,061 – 23.82%
2011 – 1,390 of 6,003 – 23.16%
2009 – 1,466 of 7,609 – 19.27%
2007 – 1,498 of 6,362 – 23.55%
2005 – 1,398 of 5,629 – 24.84%

Observations:

- Prior to this session, the high-water mark for number of bills introduced was 2009 – 7,609, although 2019 had almost that many - ***Until this year,***

when a record-breaking 7,865 were filed at the deadline – now there are 8,289 HB's, HJR's, SB's, and SJR's

- The high-water mark for percentage of bills passed was 2005 – almost 25%
- The number and percentage of bills that passed in 2021 was way down – below 16%

Statistics from the 2021 Legislative Session:

- **Most of the bills in 2021 died in committee – without even getting a hearing.**
- 46% of House Bills in 2021 DIED in House Committees WITHOUT getting a hearing.
- A whopping 59% of Senate bills DIED in Senate Committees WITHOUT getting a hearing.
- **If the bills got a hearing in committee, they had a good chance of moving out of committee.**
- 76% of House Bills that GOT a hearing, were Voted out of Committee.
- Only 24% of HB's that GOT a hearing still died in committee.
- Of those 1905 HBs that came out of House committees, only 647 ended up passing the House (34%) because the others died in the House Calendars Committee.
- Almost 80% of Senate Bills that got a hearing were voted out of Committee
- Only 20% of the SB's that GOT a hearing still died in committee.
- Almost all of the SB's that came out of Senate Committees passed the Senate, (but I don't have that exact stat)
- The House was pretty good to Senate bills – 74% of them ended up passing the House. Some died in House Committees, the House Calendars Committee and even ran out of time on the Calendar.
- The Senate was even nicer to House bills – 93% of the HB's that passed the House, also passed the Senate. A few died on the calendars, but in 2021, almost all of the HB's passed by the House were voted out of Senate Committees.
- The bottom line is – Clearing the House of Origin is the hardest part. If a bill passes one chamber, three-fourths of them will pass the House and almost all of them will pass the Senate.

State Websites - Additional information can be obtained via the Senate, House, and capitol websites:

www.senate.state.tx.us

www.house.state.tx.us

www.capitol.state.tx.us