



Legislative Update

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Major Issues

- **Budget**
 - SB 1-in conference
- **Covid**
 - SJR 45, HB 3-Limit Gov and local govt powers
- **Electricity**
 - SB 3, HB 11, 12, 13, 14-Across-the-board reforms
- **Redistricting**
 - Special session, likely in the fall



Other Issues

- **Broadband**
 - HB 5-Broadband development office, program, account
- **Public funds for lobbying**
 - SB 10-Focus on transparency, not prohibition
- **Eminent Domain**
 - SB 721, 725, 726-Appraisal reports, change in use, right to repurchase
- **Public meetings (virtual)**
 - Less likely to see major change



Water Issues

- **Produced water**
 - SB 601-Produced Water Consortium
- **Groundwater/Surface water Interaction**
 - HB 2095-BEG to enhance, advance, or integrate models characterizing water resources
- **Groundwater**
 - SB 152-District rulemaking, permit notice
- **TCEQ Dam Inventory**
 - SB 600-Public inventory of RA managed dams



BRA Sunset

- **HB 1570**
 - Includes basic, across-the-board sunset statutory language
 - Passed out of Senate Committee on...



Brazos River Authority