

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO**  
**GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Intergovernmental Relations Committee

**FROM:** Jeff Coyle, Assistant City Manager

**SUBJECT:** 3rd Special Legislative Session Update

**DATE:** October 8, 2021

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The City's Government & Public Affairs (GPA) Department will provide an update on the 3rd Special Session of the Texas Legislature.

The 3rd Special Session began on September 20, 2021 and will end no later than October 19, 2021. Items that were included in the Governor's call for a special session at the beginning of the 3rd Special Session included: redistricting, appropriations of state ARPA funds, vaccine mandates, transgender student athletes, and unlawful restraint of a dog. Since then, Governor Abbott has added three items to the call, these are: property tax relief, additional bail reform, and increasing penalties for illegal voting.

GPA staff briefed the IGR Committee on September 17, 2021 and received direction on legislative positions for the items on the call at the time. Additionally, on September 30, 2021, City Council approved a resolution in opposition of state bills related to transgender students' participation in athletics.

The update briefing provided by GPA will include information on bills filed and their current status.