

# 2007 TCCA Bill List

## SB 1933 (Ketron, Bill) / HB 1421 (McDaniel, Steve)

Enacts the "Competitive Cable and Video Services Act." Creates a state franchising system for companies providing cable or video services. Preserves existing municipal or county cable franchise agreements until expiration of the agreement or showing of certain competitive conditions. Allows collection of a county or municipal franchise fee that is not more than that charged to incumbent cable providers, but prohibits any other permit fees or taxes on cable providers. Grants state franchise holders the authority to construct and operate facilities on any public lands or right-of-ways. TCCA OPPOSES **Senate Status:** Deferred to 4/10 in Commerce, Labor & Agriculture Committee. **House Status:** Deferred to 4/3 in Commerce Committee.

## PROPERTY TAX

### SB 1955 (Haynes, Joe) / HB 2160 (Briley, Robert W.)

Provides for different valuation of certain affordable housing property for property tax purposes. TCCA OPPOSES **Senate Status:** Deferred to 4/3 in State & Local Government Committee. **House Status:** Set for 4/4 in State Government Subcommittee.

### SB 0613 (Woodson, Jamie) / HB 0708 (McCord, Joe)


Reduces, from 15 to 10 acres, minimum acreage required to be eligible as agricultural land for greenbelt status. TCCA OPPOSES **Senate Status:** Withdrawn. **House Status:** Referred to Local Government Subcommittee.

### SB 0757 (Herron, Roy) / HB 1578 (Fitzhugh, Craig)

Permits county or municipality to adjust certified tax calculation by up to 3 percent to account for a projected increase in the cost of services funded by property tax since the previous year; provided, that the adjustment is made by a method approved by the state board of equalization. TCCA SUPPORTS **Senate Status:** Referred to State & Local Government. **House Status:** Referred to Local Government Subcommittee.


## SALES TAXES

### SB 0305 (Beavers, Mae) / HB 0155 (Johnson, Phillip)

 Reduces the state sales tax rate on food incrementally each year until it is eliminated completely by July 1, 2018. Specifies that such exemption does not include candy, dietary supplements, prepared food, alcoholic beverages and tobacco. Maintains local option sales tax on food. TCCA OPPOSES **Senate Status:** Referred to Finance Committee without a recommendation by Finance Tax Subcommittee on 3/20. **House Status:** Referred to House Finance Budget Subcommittee.

Food tax

### SB 0411 (Kyle, James F.) / HB 0802 (Odom, Gary)

 Exempts from local option sales taxes all food and food ingredients that are taxed at the state sales tax rate of 6 percent. As initially filed, the bill does not include a hold harmless provision. TCCA OPPOSES **Senate Status:** Taken off notice on 2/20 in Senate Finance Committee. **House Status:** Referred to Finance Budget Subcommittee.

Food tax