

## \* Action Alert: Recorded Votes

### HB83 and HJR 19 (Branch)

Both of these bills to routinely record votes on final passage and publish the results on the internet are on the House Calendar and are scheduled for a floor vote in the House, Tuesday, April 17, 2007. If either of these bills is passed by the House, the Chair of the Senate Committee on Administration has agreed to schedule a hearing and there is still time get a vote through the Senate.

Please call, email, or fax your state representative and urge them to support HJR 19, which proposes a constitutional amendment to record all non-ceremonial votes.

Numbers Do Count!

Here is a way to contact your representative:

- 1) Log on to the State House website at [www.house.state.tx.us](http://www.house.state.tx.us)
- 2) Click on "Members" and then the name of your representative.
- 3) Then get the phone number or click on the "send email" on the page.
- 4) If calling you can ask to talk to the Representative or their aide that handles specific issues or you can leave a message with the clerk: e.g. "I am (your name) and I live (or am a voter) in Representative (name) district. I urge you to support HJR 19, a proposed constitutional amendment to record all non-ceremonial votes."

For additional background information, check the Advocacy Paper on Recorded Votes on the LWV-TX web site [www.lwvtexas.org](http://www.lwvtexas.org)