

Looking Over the 84th Lege:
An Overview of Bills that Passed and Those that
Didn't (But You Ought to Know About Anyway)

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Bills that Passed

SB 534 – Attorney's Oath



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- Amends the oath taken by attorneys admitted to practice in Texas.
- Attorneys must conduct themselves “with integrity and civility in dealing and communicating with the court and all parties.”
- Effective date: September 1, 2015.
- Applies to lawyers taking the oath after effective date.

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HB 7 – Repeal of Occupation Tax



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- Repeals the \$200 annual attorney occupation tax (and other occupation taxes on licensed professionals).
- Effective date: September 1, 2015.

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Bills that Passed

SB 735 – Exemplary Damages Evidence



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