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**Property Tax Disaster Reappraisal SB 1772 Set In House For Tuesday Vote
Follows Passage of HJR 34 Constitutional Appraisal In The Senate 31-0**
Both will give taxpayers a tax bill break following future natural disasters

AUSTIN:

- Disaster reappraisal legislation advances in Texas Legislature post Harvey.
- SB1772 by Senator Bettencourt (R-Houston) which sets up an automatic disaster reappraisal for taxpayers damaged in natural disaster set for vote in House on Tuesday.
- The constitutional amendment HJR34 authored by Representative Hugh Shine will have the taxpayers voting on the temporary disaster reappraisal election in November passed in the Senate 31-0. This will allow for pro rata tax relief on property tax bills.
- Triggered by Governor declared disaster so taxpayers only need to apply to their Chief Appraiser who assigns one of four damaged levels to properties for exemptions.
- Would help at least 55,000 more taxpayers get relief in Harris County after Harvey and places like Rockport, Texas where no relief occurred at all.
- HJR34 had 50 co-authors and one co-sponsor in the Senate, SB1772 had five co-authors.

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