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Constitutional: **Yes** · Cast: **Yes** · HB1243 · 05/28/2023

2. Illegal Immigration: Establishes penalties for unauthorized entry or reentry into the state by individuals classified as "aliens" under federal law. ✓

Constitutional: **Yes** · Cast: **Yes** · SB4 · 11/14/2023

3. Taxpayer-funded Events: Expands eligibility for funding under the Major Events Reimbursement Program by amending the Government Code to classify each series of World Cup games in a designated market area as separate, single events. ✗

Constitutional: **No** · Cast: **Yes** · SB1158 · 05/06/2023

4. Border Security: Allocates \$1.54 billion for border security over two years, funding law enforcement and border barriers. ✓

Estimated Cost per household: **-\$150.00/year.**

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5. Criminal Penalties for Smuggling: Strengthens penalties for smuggling, stash houses, and evading arrest, imposing mandatory minimums of 10 years and allowing consecutive sentences for related crimes. ✓

Constitutional: **Yes** · Cast: **Yes** · HB2 · 05/30/2023

6. Government Nursing Scholarship: Enacts government support for nursing-related postsecondary education, including scholarships to nursing students, loan repayment assistance to nurses and nursing faculty, and grants to nursing education programs. ✗

Constitutional: **No** · Cast: **Yes** · SB25 · 05/23/2023



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