



# THE PAC REPORT

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### State Regulatory Agencies: Not All Sunsets Are Romantic

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We've all heard of state regulatory agency names like the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, which regulates air and water quality for the state or the Texas Education Agency, which regulates all facets of public education and schools in Texas. Even weights and scales at businesses and chemical use on farms and ranches are regulated ---- by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Some may question why we have government agencies. Do they simply create busy & unnecessary paperwork for the average business? Why are they necessary? Others say they are a menace. Perhaps the real question should be, "What would happen if these agencies did not exist?"

With no regulatory oversight by a governmental body over an industry, mayhem would exist, companies would create their own parameters from which to operate, and lawlessness would be rampant.

These governmental oversight agencies go off the rails when their regulators do not understand the particular industry. As Texas has gotten more urbanized and less rural in recent decades, no longer do we have as many ag - oriented personnel working in these regulatory bodies with rural backgrounds. Many times, they simply do not understand the ag industry. That's why most all segments of ag have an industry association representing them in Austin to help continually "educate" new hires at these regulatory agencies about the farming and ranching industry.

Term limits for elected officials is another issue that continuously comes up. Some will argue that since agencies often have 30 - year career administrators, they too should have term limits just like elected officials.

In some state agencies, especially those with long term CEOs, they become almost judge - like in smothering businesses with all their demanding regulatory oversight, compliance, and penalties. To remedy this sometimes senseless treatment, decades ago the state legislature created a process known as "Sunset Reviews" of all state regulatory agencies.

Under this scenario, ALL state regulatory agencies must subject themselves to the scrutiny of a sunset review every 12 years or sooner. If, in the eyes of the state legislature, a state regulatory agency has made questionable decisions, they will require more frequent sunset reviews of that agency.

When subjected to a sunset review, the state agency is heavily scrutinized for two years by the Sunset Advisory Commission and its staff and then are subjected to pulverizing questioning in a House and in a Senate Committee hearing. Lastly, they must reauthorize their existence for an additional 12 years or sooner before the entire 181 - member state legislature (31 state senators and 150 state representatives). This is a very grueling process; especially if the agency under review has wielded excessive power and regulation over people and businesses for years.

Every two years when the state legislature convenes in Austin, usually two or three state agencies are not reauthorized and, thus are subjected to a sunset review every two to four years instead of the traditional 12 - year cycle.

State regulatory agencies up for Sunset Review in 2021, from an ag standpoint, are the Texas Animal Health Commission, Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Parks and Wildlife, and the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

**"We do not say that a man  
who takes no interest in  
politics is a man who  
minds his own business;  
we say that he has no  
business here at all."**

**— Pericles**

## The Untold Story of Preserving an Industry

On occasion, stories are printed, like during periods leading up to a new Farm Bill every four years, that ag commodity groups seem to fight among one another. This perception of "in-fighting" among farm groups has been around since the beginning of time.

But, maybe not so fast! Especially if you look a little closer.

Although not intentional, hidden away in the deep crevices of state government representation in Austin is a little - known group called "The Texas Ag Council (TAC)" ---- which has been around since the early 1960s. It's first chair was Bruno Schroeder, who at the time, was CEO of the Texas Agricultural Cooperative Council.

TAC is comprised of nearly 70 different ag commodity / industry groups having legislative and regulatory representation around the State Capitol. Some of the groups include the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Texas Farm Bureau, Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Forestry Association, Texas Cotton Ginners Association, Plains Cotton Growers, Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Texas Poultry Federation, Texas Grain and Feed Association, the Texas Agricultural Cooperative Council and many others.

These groups meet once a WEEK during a State Legislative Session (January - June of odd - numbered years) at a Methodist church fellowship hall a block from the State Capitol, usually on a Wednesday from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. They meet about every two or three months otherwise. During these meetings, they have guest legislators and agency heads brief them on issues, TAC shares insights on bills as they move through the legislative process, occasionally ask for help killing or moving a particular bill, and THEY HELP ONE ANOTHER!

With Texas moving from an agrarian society to much more of an urbanized state, it is imperative that these rural groups work hand in hand with one other ---- and it is happening. TAC is causing it to happen! TACCs Tommy Engelke recently rotated off after serving a 2.5 - year role as chair of TAC. His replacement is Kody Bessent of Plains Cotton Growers in Lubbock.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR VOTING IN TEXAS

<b>Registration Deadline</b>	October 5 ( <i>postmarked by October 5</i> )
<b>Early Voting</b>	October 13-30
<b>Absentee Ballot* Deadlines:</b>	
Request	( <i>receive by</i> ) October 23
Return by Mail	Postmarked by November 3
<b>General Election</b>	November 3
*An absentee ballot application must be filled out and submitted to your local election office for you to receive a ballot to vote by mail. The application can be found online or requested from your local election office (may be the county clerk). Election duties and contact information can be found at: <a href="https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml#F">https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml#F</a> .	

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR TEXAS LEGISLATURE

<b>First Day to Prefile Bills:</b>	November 9, 2020
<b>State Legislative Session Begins:</b>	January 12, 2021
<b>Last Day to File Bills:</b>	March 12, 2021
<b>State Legislative Session Ends:</b>	May 31, 2021
<b>Last Day the Governor Can Sign or Veto Bills:</b>	June 20, 2021
<b>Date that Bills (<i>without specific effective dates</i>) Become Law:</b>	August 30, 2021

## TACC-PAC CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES 2020 ELECTION YEAR CYCLE

	Republicans				Democrats				Total for 2020 Election Cycle	
	March 3 Primary Election		November 3 General Election		March 3 Primary Election		November 3 General Election			
	Number of Candidates	Dollars Given	Number of Candidates	Dollars Given	Number of Candidates	Dollars Given	Number of Candidates	Dollars Given	Number of Candidates	Dollars Given
Statewide	6	\$ 3,500.00	3	\$ 1,750.00	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	9	\$ 5,250.00
State Senate	4	\$ 2,550.00	6	\$ 4,350.00	1	\$ 500.00	1	\$ 750.00	11	\$ 8,150.00
State House	12	\$ 3,850.00	32	\$ 8,650.00	2	\$ 600.00	3	\$ 950.00	50	\$ 14,050.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>\$ 9,650.00</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>\$ 14,750.00</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>\$ 1,100.00</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>\$ 1,700.00</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>\$ 27,450.00</b>

# POTENTIAL 2021 STATE AGRICULTURAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

## Miscellaneous

1. Adequate school funding.
2. Regarding infrastructure, tax, and school funding, the focus will be as a result of COVID-19's impacts.
3. Redistricting will be an important issue for the 2021 State Legislative Session.
4. Monitor state agencies under "Sunset Review".
  - o Texas Department of Agriculture
  - o Texas Animal Health Commission
  - o Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
  - o Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation
  - o Texas Parks & Wildlife
5. To move from direct notification to central notification handling of ag commodities. The more recent talk has been to move towards electronic direct notification since the main thrust all along has been to become more efficient.
6. Pass a two-year state budget and preserve adequate funding of all ag-related agencies & programs.
7. Election of a new House Speaker. Depends if the Democrats win majority of the 150-member House of Representatives.
8. A drive to provide truth in labeling with regards to fake meat.
9. Stem the tide of increased regulation over migrant housing.
10. The funding of rural broadband initiatives.

## Transportation

11. The move to increase weight tolerances on trucks used in agriculture.

## Taxes

12. Continue to preserve ag sales tax exemptions.
13. Although not likely an issue, there is a cautious move to increasingly preserve open space valuation & encroachment.
14. Continued state funding for the boll weevil eradication program.
15. In recent years, lawmakers passed legislation to lower the tax rate on most all property owners, however, there is increasing pushback on rising tax values. There will be another move to rein in this movement.

## Water

16. There will be attempts to regulate brackish (salt) water and to seek separate water laws between fresh and brackish water.
17. There will be continued attempts to develop consistency in groundwater district rules around the state.
18. Monitoring how the application of oil & gas law may impose itself on future water law.

## Property Rights

19. In eminent domain proceedings, improve transparency in transactions, moving toward better upfront offers, continue to gain more control of pipeline easements, and move to more fair offers for landowners.
20. There will likely be some reform attempt to amend the Right to Farm Act, which currently says an existing ag operation has priority use over some unit that moves in thereafter.

*"A farmer friend of mine told me recently about a busload of middle school children who came to his farm for a tour. The first two boys off the bus asked, "Where is the salsa tree?" They thought they could go pick salsa, like apples and peaches. Oh my. What do they put on SAT tests to measure this? Does anybody care? How little can a person know about food and still make educated decisions about it? Is this knowledge going to change before they enter the voting booth? Now that's a scary thought."*

— Joel Salatin, *Folks, This Ain't Normal: A Farmer's Advice for Happier Hens, Healthier People, and a Better World*

# TACC-PAC CONTRIBUTORS

## 2020 Capitol Solo Members

(People that contributed \$100 or more to TACC-PAC individually during the year, but were not associated with one of the two PAC categories.)

Kevin Brinkley  
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## All-Time 100% Club Members (29)

(These are cooperatives that have 100% of their directors and the general manager contributes a minimum of \$25 each to TACC-PAC in one year.)

Associated Cotton Growers – Crosbyton  
Bayside-Richardson Co-op Gin – Woodsboro  
Bee County Cooperative Association – Tynan  
Brownfield Farmers Co-op Station – Brownfield  
Central Rolling Plains Co-op – Roscoe  
Coyanosa Co-op Gin – Coyanosa  
Driscoll Grain Co-op, Inc. – Driscoll  
Dumas Co-op – Dumas  
Farmers Cooperative Association – O'Donnell  
Farmers Cooperative Association – Stanton  
Farmers Co-op Elevator Association – Levelland  
Glasscock County Co-op – Garden City  
Gulf Compress – Corpus Christi  
Hereford Grain Corp. – Hereford  
Lockney Co-op Gin – Lockney  
Lone Star Farmers Cooperative – Mereta  
Midkiff Farmers Co-op – Midkiff  
Midway Gin & Grain Co-op – Taft  
New Home Co-op Gin – New Home  
Owens Cooperative Gin – Ralls  
Planter's Grain Cooperative – Odem  
Producers Cooperative Association – Bryan  
Slaton Co-op Gin – Slaton  
Swisher Co-op Gin – Kress  
Texas Star Co-op Gin – Slaton  
Valley Co-op Oil Mill – Harlingen  
Wall Co-op Gin – Wall  
Woodsboro Farmers Co-op – Woodsboro

## All-Time Charlie Award Members (16)

(These are cooperatives that have 100% of their directors and the general manager contributes a minimum of \$100 each to TACC-PAC in one year, with the total contribution being a minimum of \$1,000. The award is named in honor of former U.S. Congressman **Charles Stenholm**, who is credited with establishing TACC-PAC.)

Ag Producers Co-op – Bushland  
Associated Cotton Growers – Crosbyton  
Brownfield Farmers Co-op Station – Brownfield  
Dumas Co-op – Dumas  
EdCot Co-op Gin – Odem  
Farmers Cooperative Association – O'Donnell  
Floydada Co-op Gin – Floydada  
Gulf Compress – Corpus Christi  
Hereford Grain Corp – Hereford  
Lockney Co-op Gin – Lockney  
Northeast Texas Farmers Co-op – Sulphur Springs  
Planter's Grain Cooperative – Odem  
Producers Cooperative Association – Bryan  
Slaton Co-op Gin – Slaton  
Smith Gin Co-op – Odem  
Wall Co-op Gin – Wall

**“Elections belong to the people. It's their decision. If they decide to turn their back on the fire and burn their behinds, then they will just have to sit on their blisters.”**  
— Abraham Lincoln

## TACC-PAC HIGHLIGHTS

- TACC-PAC has been sending a consistent message to key policy-makers in Austin by contributing \$356,650 to 656 different election campaign races in the last eleven election cycles.
- The TACC-PAC Silent Auction, started in 2005, has had as high as 37 organizations annually contribute about 65 different items, which has raised a total of \$63,328 for TACC-PAC in the last sixteen years.
- In preparation for the November 2020 General Election, prepared another hard copy TACC-PAC Special Edition Newsletter, complete with an insert noting where most all agricultural PACs in Texas were placing their contributions. This is the tenth edition covering the last 20 years of political election in Texas!
- In 2019, TACC-PAC coordinated its sixth "Co-op Legislature Dinner" at the State Capitol in conjunction with Land O' Lakes & the Texas Association of Dairymen --- hosting 45-50 state legislators and co-op leaders. The seventh consecutive dinner will be held once again in the Spring of 2021 in Austin.

# TEXAS CONTESTED RACES

U.S. House of Representative Races from Texas  
Texas Statewide Races  
Texas Senate Races  
Texas House of Representative Races

**NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

**GENERAL ELECTION**

Prepared by the  
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*(October 12, 2020)*

# PREFACE

The following Tenth Edition document was NOT prepared to tell citizens how to vote, rather to allow them to make a more informed choice at the ballot box during the November 3 General Election. The agricultural groups contributing to this paper have spent considerable time in Austin and many hours studying the campaigns, the personalities, their beliefs, and their interest tendencies.

Although not every statewide office or state senate position (31) is up for re-election, every state house seat (150) and every U.S. House of Representatives seat from Texas (36) is. Many of the races were decided in the March 3, 2020 Primary Election. This paper is only reporting information on the “**CONTESTED**” races (*a campaign where there is a Democrat and a Republican in the race*) remaining for the November 3 General Election.

A few points are in order as you read and study the document:

- 1) In a few races, you may note that agricultural groups are split on who they support. That does happen on a rare occasion, but we wanted to emphasize the thinking of all agricultural groups in an honest and forthright manner.
- 2) You will also note that agricultural groups seldom vote for all of one political party. They support candidates all over the ticket, but they generally do support the conservative voice on the ticket. Also as a general rule, percentage of contributions from agricultural groups to candidates of one political party versus another usually follow the composition of the state elected body (*statewide officeholders, state senators and state house members*).
- 3) Although many of the races do not concern you or your location around the state, you are encouraged to send this paper to your friends and family all across Texas---in both rural and urban areas. It may help them make a more informed vote.
- 4) As a general rule, voter turnout is usually light in elections, but historically rural areas tend to vote in higher percentage.
- 5) If you will be out of town on election day, be sure to vote early. Absentee voting begins by Tuesday, October 13. It ends on Friday, October 30.
- 6) Many PACs, like TACC-PAC, are organized as state political action committees and as such cannot contribute to national elections.
- 7) As a general rule, commodity and trade associations follow rule #1 of political contributing and that is to support the incumbent or the person already in office who has proven to be good for agriculture.
- 8) There are just so many dollars available for agricultural groups to contribute to campaigns, so although many wish they could provide more and in a greater variety of races, they have to be very selective in how they appropriate monies.
- 9) Not contributing to a race could mean a variety of things, including no traditional strong ag voting record in that district, etc. Agriculture, in general, does not have deep pockets to participate in every race.

There are approximately 65 recognized agricultural commodity and trade association groups in Texas, but as you will see in this paper, only a small percentage have a formal political campaign mechanism (PAC) in their structure. Those groups contributing to this paper are:

- (FCC) Farm Credit Council — representing the borrowers of the state’s agricultural credit associations.
- (TACC) Texas Agricultural Cooperative Council — representing agricultural, electric, farm credit, and telephone cooperatives.
- (TCFA) Texas Cattle Feeders Association — representing cattle feeders and feedyards.
- (TFB) Texas Farm Bureau — the state’s largest agriculture producer organization.
- (TFA) Texas Forestry Association — representing timber producers and logging companies.
- (TNLA) Texas Nursery and Landscape Association — representing landscape companies and nurseries.
- (TPF) Texas Poultry Federation — representing all segments of the poultry industry.
- (TSCRA) Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association — the largest livestock producer group in Texas.

**"CONTESTED" U.S. SENATE RACES FROM TEXAS**

Race	Republican Candidate	Supported By	Democratic Candidate	Supported By
U.S. Senate	John Cornyn, San Antonio (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TSCRA	M.J. Hegar, Georgetown	

**"CONTESTED" U.S. CONGRESSIONAL RACES FROM TEXAS**

Race	Republican Candidate	Supported By	Democratic Candidate	Supported By
C.D. 1	Louie Gohmert, Tyler (I)	TCFA, TFA, TFB, TSCRA	Hank Gilbert, Tyler	
C.D. 2	Dan Crenshaw, Houston (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Sima Ladjevardian, Houston	
C.D. 3	Van Taylor, Plano (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Lulu Seikaly, Plano	
C.D. 4	Pat Fallon, Prosper	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Russell Foster, Sherman	
C.D. 5	Lance Gooden, Terrell (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TSCRA	Carolyn Salter, Palestine	
C.D. 6	Ron Wright, Arlington (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB	Stephen Daniel, Maypearl	
C.D. 7	Wesley Hunt, Houston	TCFA	Lizzie Pannill Fletcher, Houston (I)	FCC, TFB
C.D. 8	Kevin Brady, The Woodlands (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TSCRA	Elizabeth Hernandez, The Woodlands	
C.D. 9	Johnny Teague, Houston		Al Green, Houston (I)	
C.D. 10	Michael McCaul, Austin (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Mike Siegel, Austin	
C.D. 11	August Pfluger, San Angelo	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Jon Mark Hogg, San Angelo	
C.D. 12	Kay Granger, Fort Worth (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Lisa Welch, Fort Worth	
C.D. 13	Ronny Jackson, Amarillo	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Gus Trujillo, Amarillo	
C.D. 14	Randy Weber, Pearland (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Adrienne Bell, Friendswood	
C.D. 15	Monica De la Cruz-Hernandez, New Braunfels		Vicente Gonzalez, McAllen (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA
C.D. 16	Irene Armendariz Jackson, El Paso		Veronica Escobar, El Paso (I)	FCC, TFB
C.D. 17	Pete Sessions, Waco	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Rick Kennedy, Pflugerville	
C.D. 18	Wendell Champion, Houston		Sheila Jackson Lee, Houston (I)	
C.D. 19	Jodey Arrington, Lubbock (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Tom Watson, Lubbock	
C.D. 20	Mauro Garza, San Antonio		Joaquin Castro, San Antonio (I)	
C.D. 21	Chip Roy, Austin (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Wendy Davis, Fort Worth	
C.D. 22	Troy Nehls, Richmond	TCFA, TFB	Sri Preston Kulkarni, Sugar Land	
C.D. 23	Tony Gonzales, San Antonio	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Gina Ortiz Jones, San Antonio	
C.D. 24	Beth Van Duyne, Irving	TCFA	Candace Valenzuela, Dallas	
C.D. 25	Roger Williams, Austin (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Julie Oliver, Austin	
C.D. 26	Michael Burgess, Lewisville (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Carol Iannuzzi, Lewisville	
C.D. 27	Michael Cloud, Victoria (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Rick De La Fuente, Victoria	
C.D. 28	Sandra Whitten, Laredo		Henry Cuellar, Laredo (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA
C.D. 29	Robert Schafrank, Houston		Sylvia Garcia, Houston (I)	FCC, TFB, TSCRA
C.D. 30	Tre Pennie, Dallas		Eddie Bernice Johnson, Dallas (I)	FCC, TFB
C.D. 31	John Carter, Georgetown (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Donna Imam, Austin	
C.D. 32	Genevieve Collins, Dallas	TCFA	Colin Allred, Dallas (I)	FCC, TFB
C.D. 33	Fabian Vasquez, Fort Worth		Marc Veasey, Fort Worth (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA
C.D. 34	Rey Gonzalez, Harlingen		Filemon Vela, Brownsville (I)	FCC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA
C.D. 35	Jenny Garcia Sharon, Austin		Lloyd Doggett, Austin (I)	
C.D. 36	Brian Babin, Woodville (I)	TCFA, TFA, TFB, TSCRA	Rashad Lewis, Jasper	

**"CONTESTED" STATEWIDE RACES**

Race	Republican Candidate	Supported By	Democratic Candidate	Supported By
Railroad Commissioner	James "Jim" Wright, Robstown	TFB	Chrysta Castañeda, Dallas	
Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice	Nathan Hecht, Austin (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Amy Meachum, Bellaire	
Texas Supreme Court Place 6	Jane Bland, Houston (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Kathy Cheng, Houston	
Texas Supreme Court Place 7	Jeff Boyd, Houston (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Stacy Williams, Dallas	
Texas Supreme Court Place 8	Brett Busby, Houston (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Gisela Triana, Austin	

**"CONTESTED" STATE SENATE RACES**

Race	Republican Candidate	Supported By	Democratic Candidate	Supported By
S.D. 1	Bryan Hughes, Mineola (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Audrey Spanko, Mineola	
S.D. 4	Brandon Creighton, Conroe (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Jay Stittleburg, Porter	
S.D. 11	Larry Taylor, Friendswood (I)	TCFA, TFB, TPF, TSCRA	Susan Criss, Galveston	
S.D. 12	Jane Nelson, Flower Mound (I)	TCFA, TFB, TPF, TSCRA	Shadi Zitoon, Grapevine	
S.D. 13	Milinda Morris, Houston		Borris Miles, Houston (I)	TFB
S.D. 18	Lois Kolkhorst, Brenham (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TPF, TSCRA	Michael Antalan, Katy	
S.D. 19	Pete Flores, Pleasanton (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Roland Gutierrez, San Antonio	
S.D. 20	Judy Cutright, Corpus Christi		Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, McAllen (I)	TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TSCRA
S.D. 21	Frank Pomeroy, Sutherland Springs		Judith Zaffirini, Laredo (I)	TFB, TSCRA
S.D. 22	Brian Birdwell, Granbury (I)	TCFA, TFB, TPF, TSCRA	Robert Vick, Granbury	
S.D. 24	Dawn Buckingham, Lakeway (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Clayton Tucker, Killeen	
S.D. 27	Vanessa Tijerina, Brownsville		Eddie Lucio Jr., Brownsville (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA
S.D. 29	Bethany Hatch, El Paso		Cesar Blanco, El Paso (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA

**"CONTESTED" STATE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES RACES**

Race	Republican Candidate	Supported By	Democratic Candidate	Supported By
H.D. 2	Bryan Slaton, Royse City	TSCRA	Bill Brannon, Sulphur Springs	
H.D. 3	Cecil Bell Jr., Magnolia (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TPF, TSCRA	Martin Shupp, Magnolia	
H.D. 5	Cole Hefner, Mount Pleasant (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TSCRA	LaWyanda Prince, Mount Pleasant	
H.D. 6	Matt Schaefer, Tyler (I)	TFB, TNLA	Julie Gobble, Tyler	
H.D. 11	Travis Clardy, Nacogdoches (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Alec Johnson, Nacogdoches	
H.D. 14	John Raney, College Station (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Janet Dudding, Bryan	
H.D. 15	Steve Toth, Conroe (I)	TCFA, TFB	Lorena Perez McGill, The Woodlands	
H.D. 17	John Cyrier, Lockhart (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Madeline Eden, Bastrop	
H.D. 20	Terry Wilson, Marble Falls (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Jessica Tiedt, Georgetown	
H.D. 22	Jacorion Randle, Beaumont		Joe Deshotel, Beaumont (I)	TFB
H.D. 23	Mayes Middleton, Wallisville	TFB, TSCRA	Jeff Antonelli, Galveston	
H.D. 24	Greg Bonnen, Friendswood (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Brian Rogers, Friendswood	
H.D. 25	Cody Vasut, Angleton	TFB, TSCRA	Patrick Henry, Angleton	
H.D. 26	Jacey Jetton, Sugar Land	TFB	L. Sarah DeMerchant, Sugar Land	
H.D. 27	Tom Virippan, Stafford		Ron Reynolds, Missouri City (I)	



**"CONTESTED" STATE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES RACES CONTINUED**

Race	Republican Candidate	Supported By	Democratic Candidate	Supported By
H.D. 28	Gary Gates, Rosenberg (I)	TFB, TSCRA	Elizabeth Markowitz, Katy	
H.D. 29	Ed Thompson, Pearland (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Travis Boldt, Pearland	
H.D. 31	Marian Knowlton, Poteet		Ryan Guillen, Rio Grande City (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA
H.D. 32	Todd Hunter, Corpus Christi (I)	TACC, TCFA, TNLA, TSCRA	Eric Holguin, Corpus Christi	
H.D. 33	Justin Holland, Heath (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Andy Rose, Farmersville	
H.D. 34	James Hernandez, Corpus Christi		Abel Herrero, Robstown (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA
H.D. 41	John Guerra, Mission		Robert "Bobby" Guerra, Mission (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA
H.D. 44	John Kuempel, Seguin (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Robert M. Bohmfalk, Seguin	
H.D. 45	Carrie Isaac, San Marcos		Erin Zwiener, Driftwood (I)	TACC, TFB
H.D. 47	Justin Berry, Austin		Vikki Goodwin, Austin (I)	TFB
H.D. 48	Bill Strieber, Austin		Donna Howard, Austin (I)	TFB, TSCRA
H.D. 49	Charles Meyer, Austin		Gina Hinojosa, Austin (I)	TFB
H.D. 50	Larry Delarose, Pflugerville		Celia Israel, Austin (I)	TFB
H.D. 51	Robert Reynolds, Austin		Eddie Rodriguez, Austin (I)	TFB, TNLA
H.D. 52	Lucio Valdez, Hutto		James Talarico, Round Rock (I)	TFB
H.D. 53	Andrew Murr, Junction (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Joe P. Herrera, Natalia	
H.D. 54	Brad Buckley, Salado (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TPF, TSCRA	Likeithia Williams, Harker Heights	
H.D. 56	Charles "Doc" Anderson, Waco (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TLNA, TPF, TSCRA	Katherine Turner-Pearson, Waco	
H.D. 57	Trent Ashby, Lufkin (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFA, TFB, TLNA, TPF, TSCRA	Jason Rogers, Lufkin	
H.D. 58	DeWayne Burns, Cleburne (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TLNA, TPF TSCRA	Cindy Rocha, Cleburne	
H.D. 61	Phil King, Weatherford (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Christopher Cox, Alvord	
H.D. 62	Reggie Smith, Sherman (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Gary Thomas, Denison	
H.D. 63	Tan Parker, Flower Mound (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Leslie Parker, Flower Mound	
H.D. 64	Lynn Stucky, Sanger (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TSCRA	Angela Brewer, Denton	
H.D. 65	Kronda Thimesch, Lewisville		Michelle Beckley, Carrollton (I)	TCFA, TFB
H.D. 66	Matt Shaheen, Plano (I)	TFB	Sharon Hirsch, Plano	
H.D. 67	Jeff Leach, Allen (I)	TFB	Lorenzo Sanchez, Dallas	
H.D. 68	Drew Springer, Muenster (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TPF, TNLA, TSCRA	Patsy Ledbetter, Gainesville	
H.D. 70	Scott Sanford, McKinney (I)	TFB, TSCRA	Angie Bado, McKinney	
H.D. 71	Stan Lambert, Abilene (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TPF, TNLA, TSCRA	Sam Hatton, Abilene	
H.D. 73	Kyle Biedermann, Fredericksburg (I)	TFB	Stephanie Phillips, Canyon Lake	
H.D. 74	Ruben Falcon, Fort Stockton		Eddie Morales Jr., Eagle Pass	
H.D. 78	Jeffrey Lane, El Paso		Joe Moody, El Paso (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA
H.D. 83	Dustin Burrows, Lubbock (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Addison Perry-Franks, Snyder	
H.D. 84	John Frullo, Lubbock (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB TSCRA	John Gibson, Lubbock	
H.D. 85	Phil Stephenson, Wharton (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Joey Cardenas III, Louise	
H.D. 89	Candy Noble, Lucas (I)	TFB	Sugar Ray Ash, Plano	
H.D. 90	Elva Camacho, Fort Worth		Ramon Romero Jr., Fort Worth (I)	TFB, TSCRA
H.D. 91	Stephanie Klick, Fort Worth (I)	TFB, TSCRA	Jeromy Sims, North Richland Hills	
H.D. 92	Jeff Cason, Bedford		Jeff Whitfield, Euless	
H.D. 93	Matt Krause, Fort Worth (I)	TFB, TSCRA	Lydia Bean, Arlington	

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H.D. 96	David Cook, Mansfield		Joe Drago, Crowley	
H.D. 97	Craig Goldman, Fort Worth (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Elizabeth Beck, Fort Worth	
H.D. 98	Giovanni Capriglione, Southlake (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Debra Edmondson, Southlake	
H.D. 102	Linda Koop, Dallas		Ana-Maria Ramos, Richardson (I)	TFB
H.D. 106	Jared Patterson, Frisco (I)	TCFA, TFB,	Jennifer Skidonenko, Frisco	
H.D. 107	Samuel Smith, Mesquite		Victoria Neave, Dallas (I)	TFB
H.D. 108	Morgan Meyer, Dallas (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Joanna Cattanch, Dallas	
H.D. 109	Eugene Allen, DeSoto		Carl Sherman, DeSoto (I)	TFB
H.D. 112	Angie Chen Button, Garland (I)	TFB, TSCRA	Brandy Chambers, Garland	
H.D. 113	Will Douglas, Garland	TCFA	Rhett Andrews Bowers, Rowlett (I)	TFB
H.D. 114	Luisa Del Rosal, Dallas	TCFA	John Turner, Dallas (I)	TFB, TSCRA
H.D. 115	Karyn Brownlee, Coppell		Julie Johnson, Addison (I)	TFB
H.D. 116	Robert Litoff, San Antonio		Trey Martinez Fischer, San Antonio (I)	TCFA, TFB
H.D. 117	Carlos Antonio Raymond, San Antonio		Philip Cortez, Dan Antonio (I)	TFB
H.D. 118	Adam Salyer, San Antonio		Leo Pacheco, San Antonio (I)	TFB
H.D. 119	George Garza, San Antonio		Elizabeth "Liz" Campos, San Antonio	
H.D. 120	Ronald Payne, San Antonio		Barbara Gervin-Hawkins, San Antonio (I)	TFB
H.D. 121	Steve Allison, San Antonio (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Celina Montotya, San Antonio	
H.D. 122	Lyle Larson, San Antonio (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TNLA, TPF, TSCRA	Claire Barnett, San Antonio	
H.D. 126	Sam Harless, Houston (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Natali Hurtado, Houston	
H.D. 128	Briscoe Cain, Deer Park (I)	TFB, TSCRA	Mary Williams, Deer Park	
H.D. 129	Dennis Paul, Houston (I)	TFB, TSCRA	Kayla Alix, Houston	
H.D. 130	Tom Oliverson, Cypress (I)	TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Bryan J. Henry, Cypress	
H.D. 132	Michael Schofield, Katy		Gina Calanni, Katy (I)	TFB
H.D. 133	Jim Murphy, Houston (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB, TSCRA	Sandra G. Moore, Houston	
H.D. 134	Sarah Davis, Houston (I)	TACC, TCFA, TFB	Ann Johnson, Houston	
H.D. 135	Justin Ray, Jersey Village	TCFA	Jon Rosenthal, Houston (I)	TFB
H.D. 136	Mike Guevara, Cedar Park		John Bucy, Ausin (I)	TFB
H.D. 138	Lacey Hull, Houston		Akilah Bacy, Houston	
H.D. 142	Jason Rowe, Houston		Harold Dutton, Houston (I)	TFB
H.D. 144	Tony Salas, Pasadena		Mary Ann Perez, Houston (I)	TFB
H.D. 145	Martha Elena Fierro, Houston		Christina Morales, Houston (I)	
H.D. 148	Luis La Rotta, Houston		Penny Morales Shaw, Houston	
H.D. 149	Lilly Truong, Alief		Hubert Vo, Houston (I)	TFB
H.D. 150	Valoree Swanson, Spring (I)	TFB	Michael Robert Walsh, Houston	