

WITNESS LIST

Education K-16

April 8, 2025 9:00 AM

SB 571

FOR:

Allmon, Jennifer Executive Director (also providing written testimony) (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops), Austin, TX

Colangelo, Laura Executive Director (also providing written testimony) (Texas Private Schools Association), Austin, TX

Colson, Faith (Self), Quitman, TX

AGAINST:

Mcdonald, Callie (Self), Sherman, TX

ON:

Antkowiak, Matt (Self), Arlington, TX

Blachowski, Aileen (Self; Texas Education 911), Prosper, TX

Newman, Anne (Self), Boerne, TX

Rodriguez, David (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Beneski, Amy (Texas Association of School Administrators), Austin, TX

Benestante, Jacquie (Self; Autism Society of Texas), Austin, TX

Brock, Alison (Texas Association of School Boards), Austin, TX

Brown, Christianna (Self; True texas project), Granbury, TX

Brown, Elaina (Self; True TexasProject), Granbury, TX

Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Relations (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX

Deline, Steven (Self), Austin, TX

Franklin, Shelia (Self; True TexasProject), Fort worth, TX

Franklin, Shelia (Self; True texas project), Fort worth tx, TX

Garcia, Brandon Director of Legislative Affairs (Texas Public Charter Schools Association), Austin, TX

Gray, Brady President (Self; Texas Family Project), Brock, TX

Kimball, Mandi Chief Government Relations Officer (Children at Risk), Houston tx, TX

Reagan, Charlene (Self; True Texas Project), Spicewood, TX

Rhodes, Fran President, True Texas Project (Self; True texas project), Fort Worth, TX

Rogers, David (Self; True Texas Project), Granbury, TX

Sheffield, Heather Lobbyist (Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)), Austin, TX

Sparks, Andrea (Not On Our Watch Texas), Austin, TX

Treat, Brita (Self), Austin, TX

Treat, Mark (Self), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Cohen, Sarah Dr (Self), Austin, TX

Fox, Katie (Self), Austin, TX

Kling, Kelsey (Self; Texas AFT), Austin, TX

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Wiscombe, Nicole Director of Housing & Homeless Services (Self; Heart of Texas Behavioral Health Network), Waco, TX

ON:

Dove, Luz Senior Director (TXDPS), Austin, TX

Jernigan, Ashley Associate Commissioner (Self), Austin, TX

Rodriguez, Abby Director (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Wolfe, Sarah (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

AGAINST:

McPeters, Pamela Director of Governmental Relations (Texas Classroom Teachers Association), Austin, TX

SB 604

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Beneski, Amy (Texas Association of School Administrators), Austin, TX

Brock, Alison (Texas Association of School Boards), Austin, TX

Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Affairs (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX

Kling, Kelsey (Self; Texas AFT), Austin, TX

Puente, Jaime (Self; Every Texan), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Fox, Katie (Self), Austin, TX

ON:

Mcgeady, John Director of Governmental Relations (Texas Permanent School Fund Corporation), Austin, TX

SB 747

FOR:

Berry, Elliston (Self), Aledo, TX

Davenport, Ryan (Self), Texas, TX

ON:

McDonald, Callie (Self), Sherman, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Beneski, Amy (Texas Association of School Administrators), Austin, TX

Blankenship, Sheri Deputy Executive Director (Texas Association Community Schools), Austin, TX

Brock, Alison (Texas Association of School Boards), Austin, TX

Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Relations (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX

Easley, Jennifer State President Texas PTA (Texas PTA), San Antonio, TX

Franklin, Shelia (Self; True texas project), Fort worth tx, TX

Garcia, Brandon Director of Legislative Affairs (Texas Public Charter Schools Association), Austin, TX

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McPeters, Pamela Director of Governmental Relations (Texas Classroom Teachers Association), Austin, TX

Parkinson, Thomas (Self), San Antonio, TX

Reagan, Charlene (Self; True Texas Project), Spicewood, TX

Rhodes, Fran President, True Texas Project (Self; True texas project), Fort Worth, TX

Sheffield, Heather Lobbyist (Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)), Austin, TX

Soto, Renzo Executive Director for Texas and the South (TechNet), Austin, TX

Wittenburg, Michelle (David's Legacy Foundation), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Paul, Nicole (Self), Austin, TX

ON:

Marin, Eric (TEA), Austin, TX

SB 843

FOR:

Borrego, Jorge Education policy director (Texas public policy foundation), Austin, tx, TX

Puente, Jaime (Self; Every Texan), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Ash, Ryan Legislative & Communications Director (Texas Taxpayers and Research Association - (TTARA)), Austin, TX

Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Relations (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX

Garcia, Brandon Director of Legislative Affairs (Texas Public Charter Schools Association), Austin, TX

Reagan, Charlene (Self; True Texas Project), Spicewood, TX

Sheffield, Heather Lobbyist (Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Fox, Katie (Self), Austin, TX

ON:

Copeland, Amy (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

SB 1224

FOR:

Ayres, Shannon (Self; Citizens Defending Freedom), Frisco, TX

Bentley, Christin State Republican Executive Committeewoman SD1 (Self), Winona, TX

Blachowski, Aileen Pres (Texas Education 911), Prosper, TX

Colson, Faith (Self), Quitman, TX

Fleck, Jennifer Travis County GOP Chair (Self; Travis County GOP), Spicewood, texas, TX

Gray, Brady President (also providing written testimony) (Self; Texas Family Project), Brock, TX

McDonald, Callie (Self), Sherman, TX

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Rhodes, Fran President, True Texas Project (Self; True texas project), Fort Worth, TX

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FOR:

Beneski, Amy (Texas Association of School Administrators), Austin, TX
Benestante, Jacquie (Self; Autism Society of Texas), Austin, TX
Borrego, Jorge Education policy director (Texas public policy foundation), Austin, tx, TX
Brock, Alison (Texas Association of School Boards), Austin, TX
Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Relations (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX
Easley, Jennifer State President Texas PTA (Texas PTA), San Antonio, TX
Flatt, Bryan Government Affairs (TMPA), Austin, TX
Franklin, Shelia (Self; True Texas Project), Tx, TX
Garcia, Brandon Director of Legislative Affairs (Texas Public Charter Schools Association), Austin, TX
Hunt, Ray Executive Director (Self; Houston Police Officers' Union), Houston, TX
Judice, Kerrie Director of Policy and Advocacy (TexProtects), Dallas, TX
Kershaw, James (Harris County Deputies' Organization FOP #39), Houston, TX
Litzler, John (Baptist General Convention of Texas Christian Life Commission), Dallas, TX
Parnell, James Secretary/ Treasurer (Dallas Police Association), Dallas, TX
Reagan, Charlene (Self; True Texas Project), Spicewood, TX
Schulte, Tara CDF State Executive Director (Self; Citizens defending freedom), McKinney, Texas, TX
Sparks, Andrea (Not On Our Watch Texas), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Cohen, Sarah Dr (Self), Austin, TX
Fox, Katie (Self), Austin, TX

ON:

Rodriguez, David (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX
Wolfe, Sarah (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

ON:

Kling, Kelsey (Self; Texas AFT), Austin, TX
Sheffield, Heather Lobbyist (Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)), Austin, TX

SB 1636

ON:

Smith, Kimberly Chief Finance and Strategy Officer (Frisco ISD), Frisco, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Relations (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX
Franklin, Shelia (Self; True texas project), Fort worth tx, TX
Reagan, Charlene (Self; True Texas Prjoect), Spicewood, TX

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Rhodes, Fran President, True Texas Project (Self; True texas project), Fort Worth, TX
Treat, Brita (Self), Austin, TX
Treat, Mark (Self), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Beneski, Amy (Texas Association of School Administrators), Austin, TX
Blankenship, Sheri Deputy Executive Director (Texas Association Community Schools),
Austin, TX
Fox, Katie (Self), Austin, TX
Sheffield, Heather Lobbyist (Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)), Austin,
TX

ON:

Copeland, Amy (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

SB 1832

FOR:

Colson, Faith (Self), Quitman, TX
Gray, Brady (also providing written testimony) (Self; Texas Family Project), Brock, TX
Newman, Anne (Self), Boerne, TX

ON:

McDonald, Callie (Self), Sherman, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Ayres, Shannon (Self), Frisco, TX
Bentley, Christin State Republican Executive Committeewoman SD1 (Self), Winona, TX
Brown, James (Self; True Texas Project), Granbury, TX
Deline, Steven (Self), Austin, TX
Judice, Kerrie Director of Policy and Advocacy (TexProtects), Dallas, TX
Reagan, Charlene (Self; True Texas Project), Spicewood, TX
Rogers, David (Self; True Texas Project), Granbury, TX
Ruffo, Isabella Legislative Liaison (Texas Home School Coalition), Lubbock, TX
Sparks, Andrea (Not On Our Watch Texas), Austin, TX
Treat, Brita (Self), Austin, TX
Treat, Mark (Self), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Hallamek, James (Texas State Teachers Association), Austin, TX
McPeters, Pamela Director of Governmental Relations (Texas Classroom Teachers
Association), Austin, TX
Sheffield, Heather Lobbyist (Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)), Austin,
TX

ON:

Copeland, Amy (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX
Rodriguez, David (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

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Wolfe, Sarah (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

AGAINST:

Kling, Kelsey (Self; Texas AFT), Austin, TX

SB 2185

FOR:

Carrasco, Laura Deputy Superintendent of Academics (Self; International Leadership of Texas Public Charter Schools), Garland, TX

Conger, Eddie Mr (Self; International Leadership of Texas Public Charter Schools), Rockwall, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Beneski, Amy (Texas Association of School Administrators), Austin, TX

Blankenship, Sheri Deputy Executive Director (Texas Association Community Schools), Austin, TX

Brock, Alison (Texas Association of School Boards), Austin, TX

Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Relations (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX

Corte, Frank Col. (Self; International Leadership of Texas), San Antonio, TX

Easley, Jennifer State President Texas PTA (Texas PTA), San Antonio, TX

Garcia, Brandon Director of Legislative Affairs (Texas Public Charter Schools Association), Austin, TX

McPeters, Pamela Director of Governmental Relations (Texas Classroom Teachers Association), Austin, TX

Okoro, Ikenna (Texas Association for Bilingual Education), San Antonio, TX

Tincopa, AD (Girls Empowerment Network), Austin, TX

ON:

Copeland, Amy (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

McGuire, Kristin (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

ON:

Latham Sikes, Chloe Deputy Director of Policy (IDRA (Intercultural Development Research Association)), Austin, TX

SB 2392

FOR:

Gray, Brady (also providing written testimony) (Self; Texas Family Project), Brock, TX

Newman, Anne (Self), Boerne, TX

ON:

Colson, Faith (Self), Quitman, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Allmon, Jennifer Executive Director (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops), Austin, TX

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Beneski, Amy (Texas Association of School Administrators), Austin, TX
Berry, Elliston (Self), Aledo, TX
Brock, Alison (Texas Association of School Boards), Austin, TX
Calvert, Raif Asst Dir Govt Relations (TASB), Austin, Texas, TX
Easley, Jennifer State President Texas PTA (Texas PTA), San Antonio, TX
Flatt, Bryan Government Affairs (TMPA), Austin, TX
Garcia, Brandon Director of Legislative Affairs (Texas Public Charter Schools Association), Austin, TX
Hunt, Ray Executive Director (Self; Houston Police Officers' Union), Houston, TX
Parnell, James Secretary/ Treasurer (Dallas Police Association), Dallas, TX
Sparks, Andrea (Not On Our Watch Texas), Austin, TX
Szimanski, Jennifer Deputy Executive Director (Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas (CLEAT)), Austin, TX

ON:

Hairston, Andrew Education Justice Project Director (Texas Appleseed), Austin, TX
McGuire, Kristin (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX
Scott, John Chief of School Safety and Security (TEA), Austin, TX
Sexton, Shane (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

ON:

Kling, Kelsey (Self; Texas AFT), Austin, TX
Rege, Renuka Senior Staff Attorney (Texas Appleseed), Austin, TX

SB 2395

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Borrego, Jorge Education policy director (Texas public policy foundation), Austin, tx, TX
Brown, Christianna (Self; True texas project), Granbury, TX
Brown, Elaina (Self; True TexasProject), Granbury, TX
Brown, James (Self; True Texas Project), Granbury, TX
Deline, Steven (Self), Austin, TX
Franklin, Shelia (Self; True texas project), Fort worth, TX
Reagan, Charlene (Self; True Texas Project), Spicewood, TX
Rhodes, Fran President, True Texas Project (Self; True texas project), Fort Worth, TX
Rogers, David (Self; True Texas Project), Granbury, TX
Treat, Brita (Self), Austin, TX
Treat, Mark (Self), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Fox, Katie (Self), Austin, TX
Wiscombe, Nicole Director of Housing & Homeless Services (Self; Heart of Texas Behavioral Health Network), Waco, TX

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Copeland, Amy (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

AGAINST:

Blankenship, Sheri Deputy Executive Director (Texas Association Community Schools), Austin, TX

Nichols, Colby (Texas Association of School Administrators, Texas Association of Community Schools, Fast Growth Schools Coalition), Austin, TX

SB 2623

FOR:

Ewen, Whit (Self), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Davenport, Ryan (also providing written testimony) (Self), Dallas, TX

Samuels, Eric President and CEO (also providing written testimony) (Texas Homeless Network), Austin, TX

ON:

Allmon, Jennifer Executive Director (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops), Austin, TX

Arbour, Courtney Executive Director (TDLR), Austin, TX

Gordon, Tara Housing Program Manager (Transition Resource Action Center), Fort Worth, TX

Haynes, Adam Policy Director (Conference of Urban Counties), Austin, TX

Johnson, Lee CEO (Texas Council of Community Centers), Austin, TX

King, Lauren CEO (Partnership Home), Fort Worth, TX

Litzler, John (Baptist General Convention of Texas Christian Life Commission), Dallas, TX

Mogbo, Ikenna Chief Housing Officer (Self; Dallas County MHMR Center), Dallas, TX

Montgomery, Rebecca (Center for Transforming Lives), Fort Worth, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Albright, Steven (Self), Austin, TX

Brock, Alison (Texas Association of School Boards), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Cano, Carolina Government Relations Manager (Houston Food Bank), Houston, TX

Caruthers, James Director Public Affairs (Self; Coalition for the Homeless Houston/Harris County), Houston Tx, TX

Corpus, Kasey Policy & Advocacy Manager (Young Invincibles), Houston, TX

Corpus, Kasey Southern Policy & Advocacy Manager (PACE Coalition), Houston, TX

Cowles, Lynn Health & Food Justice Programs Manager (Every Texan), Austin, TX

Deline, Steven (Self), Austin, TX

Hamilton, Skyler (Self; VOCAL-TX), Austin, TX

Hartman, Jesse (Self), Austin, TX

Hathaway, John Rev. (Self), Austin/Texas, TX

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Lavelle, Tanya (Disability Rights Tx), Austin, TX
Morgan schindler, Rachel (Self), Austin, TX
Packer, Timothy Dr (Self; The Cove - Heart of Texas, Inc), Waco, TX
Paul, Nicole (Self), Austin, TX
Rose, Lauren Director of public polic (Texas network of youth services), Austin, TX
Shannon, Rachael (Self), Austin, TX
Stone, Catherine Rev. (Self), Austin, TX
Streu, Billy (Self; Texas Homeless Network), Pflugerville, TX
Thompson, Rick Legislative Director (County Judges and Commisioners Association of Texas), Austin, TX
Welch, Diana (Self), Austin, TX

ON:

Pollack, Gary Homeless Strategy Office (City of Austin), Austin, TX
Sanders, Joshua Chief of Intergovernmental Affairs (City of Houston), Houston, TX
Scott, John Chief of School Safety and Security (TEA), Austin, TX
Sexton, Shane (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

AGAINST:

Patterson, T. J. (City of Fort Worth), Fort Worth, TX

ON:

Skrobarczyk, Ryan Director (City of Corpus Christi), Corpus Christi, TX
Wright, Christine Legislative Mgr (City of San Antonio), San Antonio, TX

SB 2624

FOR:

Ewen, Whit (Self), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Davenport, Ryan (also providing written testimony) (Self), Dallas, TX
Owen, Toby (Self; Presbyterian Night Shelter), Fort Worth, TX
Stafford, Virginia (also providing written testimony) (Self; Mid-Coast Family Services), Victoria, TX

ON:

Allmon, Jennifer Executive Director (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops), Austin, TX
Johnson, Lee CEO (Texas Council of Community Centers), Austin, TX
Joseph, Zenobia Ms. (Self), Austin, TX
King, Lauren CEO (Partnership Home), Fort Worth, TX
Litzler, John (Baptist General Convention of Texas Christian Life Commission), Dallas, TX
Livingston, Traswell (ASD A Home For Life), Dallas, TX
Montgomery, Rebecca (Center for Transforming Lives), Fort Worth, TX
Yoder, Katherine VP of Government Relations (Parkland Health), Dallas, TX

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FOR:

Albright, Steven (Self), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Caruthers, James Director Public Affairs (Self; Coalition for the Homeless Houston/Harris County), Houston Tx, TX

Castillo, Alycia Associate Director of Policy (Texas Civil Rights Project), Austin, TX

Deline, Steven (Self), Austin, TX

Garza, Alexa Policy Associate (EdTrust Texas), Dallas TX, TX

Hamilton, Skyler (Self; VOCAL-TX), Austin, TX

Hartman, Jesse (Self), Austin, TX

Hathaway, John Rev. (Self), Austin/Texas, TX

Haynes, Adam Policy Director (Conference of Urban Counties), Austin, TX

Jones, Garry (DFER TX), Fort worth, TX

Morgan schindler, Rachel (Self), Austin, TX

Packer, Timothy Dr (Self; The Cove - Heart of Texas, Inc), Waco, TX

Paul, Nicole (Self), Austin, TX

Rose, Lauren Director of public polic (Texas network of youth services), Austin, TX

Shannon, Rachael (Self), Austin, TX

Stone, Catherine Rev. (Self), Austin, TX

Streu, Billy (Self; Texas Homeless Network), Pflugerville, TX

Thompson, Rick Legislative Director (County Judges and Commisioners Association of Texas), Austin, TX

Tincopa, Anne (Girls Empowerment Network), Austin, TX

Welch, Diana (Self), Austin, TX

ON:

Pollack, Gary Homeless Strategy Office (City of Austin), Austin, TX

Scott, John Chief of School Safety and Security (TEA), Austin, TX

Sexton, Shane (Texas Education Agency), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

AGAINST:

Corpus, Kasey Policy & Advocacy Manager (Young Invincibles), Houston, TX

Corpus, Kasey Southern Policy & Advocacy Manager (PACE Coalition), Houston, TX

Patterson, T. J. (City of Fort Worth), Fort Worth, TX

ON:

Sanders, Joshua Chief of Intergovernmental Affairs (City of Houston), Houston, TX

Skrobarczyk, Ryan Director (City of Corpus Christi), Corpus Christi, TX

Wright, Christine Legislative Mgr (City of San Antonio), San Antonio, TX