

# 2022 Report of the Resolutions Committee Senate District 11 - Galveston County

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## Preamble

1. Affirming our belief in God, we still hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. Throughout the world, people dare to dream of freedom and opportunity. The Republican Party of Texas unequivocally defends that dream. We strive to preserve the freedom given to us by God, implemented by our Founding Fathers, and embodied in the Constitution. We recognize that the traditional family is the strength of our nation. It is our solemn duty to protect innocent life and develop responsible citizens. We understand that our economic success depends upon free market principles. If we fail to maintain our sovereignty, we risk losing the freedom to live these ideals.

## Principles

2. We, the 2020 Republican Party of Texas, believe in this platform and expect our elected leaders to uphold these truths through acknowledgment and action. We believe in:
  3. "The laws of nature and nature's God," and we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas.
  4. The sanctity of innocent human life, created in the image of God, which should be equally protected from fertilization to natural death.

5. Preserving American and Texas sovereignty and freedom.
6. Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions.
7. Personal accountability and responsibility.
8. Self-sufficient families, founded on the traditional marriage of a natural man and a natural woman.
9. Having an educated population, with parents having the freedom of choice for the education of their children.
10. The inalienable right of all people to defend themselves and their property.
11. A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies.
12. Honoring all of those that serve and protect our freedom.

## **Business, Commerce and Transportation**

13. Energy and ERCOT: We urge the Texas Legislature to pass legislation to Improve and Strengthen the Electrical Grid and to expand use of Traditional Power Sources, including nuclear, with less reliance on green energy sources/subsidies. We also urge the assurance and necessity that all ERCOT Board members be Texas Residents only.
14. Buying American: We urge the Texas Government to prioritize buying American Made Products.
15. Big Tech Overreach: We urge the Texas legislature to pass legislation that would afford Texas residents the power to sue Big Tech Companies for targeting and censorship.
16. Energy Independence: We urge the Texas Government and the Texas Legislature to take the steps necessary and to pass legislation that will lead to Energy Independence for the State of Texas

## **Constitutional Issues**

17. Government Overreach: The Republican Party of Texas urges the necessity of a Texas Constitutional Amendment preventing any State government entity from enforcing a government "lockdown" shutting down businesses in Texas.
18. Tenth Amendment: We define the 10th Amendment in the broadest sense of State's rights. We support the Constitution, the Electoral College, review of Executive Orders and the right to refuse adherence to Executive Orders repugnant to our State Constitution or harmful in any way to our citizens, businesses, commerce or liberties as defined by the State Constitution and the Constitution of the United States of America.
19. Non-Elected Officials: We support elimination of unapproved and otherwise unelected appointees in every level of government and support the ability to filibuster any Presidential appointee.
20. Private Property Rights - We support private property rights and urge that they be protected, both by State Legislation and our State Constitution.
21. Second Amendment: We support the 2nd Amendment rights to allow individuals to purchase, keep, and bear 'arms and ammunition'. We defend individuals' right to lawful gun ownership and carry-by-the-people, and oppose any effort to deprive individuals of their right to keep and bear arms without the due process of law.
22. Congressional Exemption - We insist that Congress shall NOT exempt itself from any law.
23. FCC Regulation - We adjure the State and its Legislature to prevent the re-introduction of the "Fairness Doctrine" with all impunity.
24. Homeland Security - (this needs to be reworded) Eliminate Homeland Security and the TSA. Let the airlines handle security. Severely restrict the NSA.
25. Gun Manufacture in Texas: We support not only the freedom afforded to Texans by way of the 2nd Amendment - but further request to Make Texas a gun industry safe haven for manufacturing.

26. Upholding Constitution: We expect the law to be upheld and severe Penalties to be enforced for not following State and Federal Constitutions.
27. 2nd Amendment Sanctuary: We support making Galveston County and the State of Texas a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary.

## **Criminal and Civil Justice**

28. Recorded Court Proceedings: The State of Texas shall install audio and video equipment in every courtroom, record all public and private proceedings. Store recordings in the county database, make access available via the county website to the public at no charge. To be paid for by Title IV-D funds the state receives from the federal government. \*(please consider rewording this to state 'via FOIA request')\*
29. State Commission on Judicial Conduct: State Commission on Judicial Conduct (SCJC) shall no longer operate in secret. Be given power to subpoena, granted powers similar to state investigatory agencies. Powers extended to investigate all court actors, not only judiciary.
30. Immunity Privilege: We support the removal of immunity privilege given to Texas Judges, attorneys, and court actors when violating State, Local or Federal laws and guidelines.
31. Criminal Prosecution: We insist that State Law be upheld and defended, further that offenders be prosecuted, without exemption, to the fullest extent of the Law if found in violation.
32. Human Trafficking: We call upon the State of Texas to vehemently pursue the investigation and prosecution of all parties Public, Private, State or Federal that participate in Human Trafficking; including but not limited to the trafficking of foreign nationals across Texas Borders.

## **Education**

33. Parents Right to Know: We urge the State of Texas and Texas Legislature to uphold, defend and pass legislation to ensure the Protection of Parental Rights and Parental Right to Know and Consent in ALL matters pertaining to their minor child.
34. School Prayer: Be it known to All that the Republican Party of Texas supports allowing individual prayer in schools, both public and private schools, for students and employees. .
35. Pledge of Allegiance: Texas Schools should be proud to not only fly both the American and the Texas flags, but also to say the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flag in all Texas Schools whether Public or Private, further, that pledges of 'allegiance' to flags other than the American and Texas flags be prohibited in Texas Schools whether public or private.
36. School Choice: We urge the Texas Legislature to not only pass legislation to Allow School Choice, but further, for local, state and federal funding to follow the student - whether it be public, private or homeschool as the choice.
37. Well-Rounded Education: The Republican Party of Texas insists that Texas Educational System K-12 offer students a well-rounded education in the Liberal arts and Sciences, instituting the American Classical Educational Model in studying Literature, Mathematics, History, Science, Fine Arts and Foreign Languages, additionally encouraging studies in Writing, learning Cursive Handwriting and participation in Physical Education.
38. Redistributive Tuition Structure: We call upon the Texas Legislature to End Redistributive Tuition Structures, instead, for Texas Colleges and Universities to lower the cost of tuition by removing the taxes and fees previously added to the price of tuition in an effort to fund scholarship programs, further asserting that scholarship monies be raised by the private sector.
39. Transgender in Schools: We disavow and refuse to allow the Teaching of Transgenderism as Biological Science in any level of education in Texas and further assert that it be prohibited in the Public School System of Texas altogether.
40. Educating the Undocumented In Texas: We ask Legislature to ensure that all Texas schools require immigrant students to have up to date visas or USCIS documents, furthermore, to forbid

or prohibit "In-State" tuition for undocumented students altogether.

41. CRT and SEL: For Texas Legislature to pass legislation to effectively and immediately Ban and/or Prohibit Critical Race Theory, SEL (Social Emotional Learning), or any derivative thereof, from every form of education; whether public or private, primary or secondary, college or university, throughout the entire State of Texas - whether in terms of theory, practice or application.

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42. For such legislation also to prohibit Funding of any kind (State, National or Private) to be used to finance programs, courses, organizations or guest speakers that explicitly or implicitly focus on and/or advocate for Critical Race Studies, SEL, or any derivative thereof; whether in terms of theory, practice or application.
43. Inappropriate/Explicit Content and Parental Oversight: We insist that legislation be passed, and law enforced, to ensure that Texas Schools (public or private) ban, block and/or filter inappropriate content such as pornography and/or obscenity for minor students.

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44. That Texas Legislature include in said legislation that all School Library Boards and School Districts in the State of Texas include a Panel of Parents on their committees to oversee the future purchase of physical and online resources and the removal of pornographic, explicit or inappropriate materials for minors.
45. Common Core and CSCOPE: We continue to oppose the use of any and all national or international standards in the State of Texas (i.e., Common Core, TEKS Resource System, formerly CSCOPE, Lead4ward) and further insist That 'Common Core' and CSCOPE be banned from Texas Education in all forms now and in the future..
46. Tax Dollars and TASB, TASA, ETC: We call upon the State of Texas and Texas Legislature to ensure that taxpayer dollars shall not be used to support Regional Service Centers, Texas Association of School Boards or Texas Association of School Administrators, further, that even federal funding of those Centers and Associations shall not enable the aforementioned agencies to usurp or infringe on Texas Law in any way, shape or form.
47. Parental Rights in Texas Schools: We call upon the Texas School Board of Trustees to establish policies that provide for the respect and protection of parental rights and a reasonable complaint process to appeal content, express concern and guide instruction.
48. 'Adult Entertainers' and Texas Minors: We insist that Operators of Adult Sex-Entertainment businesses or venues and/or 'entertainers' from such businesses - including 'drag queens' for such activities as 'Drag Queen Story Hour' - be prohibited from any part of educational programming in public schools, libraries or any other program (public or privately funded) intended for children or minors anywhere in the State of Texas - and, if necessary, Legislation be passed to enforce such.
49. Curriculum: We call upon the Texas School Board of Trustees to Adopt 1776 Curriculum in Texas Schools, further, for curriculum in Texas Schools to Teach American Exceptionalism, Government and Civics.
50. Sex Education Material: Texas schools must provide full disclosure of all sexuality education programs and curricula, including curriculum writers/developers and contracts with individuals or entities involved in the development or presentation of curriculum.
51. School Health Councils: School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) meetings must be open to the public and notices of meetings and minutes must be posted in a timely manner.
52. SHAC Members: School Health Advisory Council members must be appointed by the school board and should not include individuals who oppose the intent of TEC 28.004. Members must live in the district.
53. Parental Medical Consent: Except for an emergency, schools may not without parental consent provide medical treatment, provide or recommend counseling, provide prescriptions or over-the-counter medication. Schools may not refer students to any medical or psychological services,

counseling, treatment or testing without parental consent, including but not limited to abortion, family planning, hormone therapy, sexuality, STDs, LBGT issues or gender treatment or counseling. Consent forms must provide full and fair disclosure of any counseling or services to be provided.

54. Curriculum Visibility: Parents have a right to know if their children will be instructed in a new methodology, curriculum, pilot program, or if a program is used that is experimental in nature, including the names of writers/developers.
55. Instructional Visibility: Parents have a right to be informed and inspect all instructional materials, including teacher's materials and supplemental materials prior to their use.
56. District Accountability: District administrators, counselors, school psychologists, teachers and others who provide Health instruction must sign a statement that they have read the "Parents Right to Know and Consent" law and agree to it.

## Finance

57. State Budget Freeze: We call upon the State of Texas to Freeze the growth of the state budget completely until wasteful or redundant agencies and programs have been identified and abolished to the end that a sustainable size of budgeted state government is restored.
58. Defund Marxism: We insist that the State of Texas move immediately and decisively to Defund Anti-American and Anti-Family Library Organizations, or ANY organization, whose foundations or principles allude Anti-American, Anti-Family or Marxism in any way, shape or form.
59. Property Tax: We challenge the State of Texas to end property taxes and move to a different tax structure that is more objective and uniformly executed, further, to consider adding a tax or fee to money wired to another country from within Texas as one of many options. (NOTE: We continue to reject a state income tax.)
60. Property Tax Exemption: We assert that the elderly be given Exemption from School Property Tax at 70 years of age on homestead property owned in Texas.
61. Property Appraisals: We call on the Texas Legislature to address property appraisal reform in the next Legislative Session.

## Government and Foreign Affairs

62. United States and Texas Sovereignty: No foreign laws shall be imposed or followed in the United States or Texas (e.g. Sharia Law). Further, no foreign troops shall be allowed to be stationed, in any form, on United States or Texas soil.
63. Oath of Office: Office and Political Members have pledged an Oath of Office to the U.S. or Texas Constitution, therefore, any members with ties to the World Economic Forum shall be removed from office.
64. Immigration Laws: Texas Law Enforcement Agencies and the Texas Judicial System should enforce all current immigration laws and end the practice of "catch and release". Further, the State of Texas shall finish the Border Wall. .
65. Government Aid: Upon arrival in the U.S., no immigrant, legal or illegal, shall receive Government aid in any form for 10 years.
66. American Citizenship: We urge the United States to interpret the 16th Amendment to mean that at least one parent must be a citizen to confer citizenship to a child.
67. Guest Workers: Implement a stronger Guest Worker Program with penalties and taxes for violations.
68. Cap the Debt: We strongly urge our Federal Legislators to vote to Cap the Debt to ensure the United States does not default on any bonds. This should be accomplished by reforming many

of our social programs so there is more right to work incentives, review regulations and tax subsidies.

69. Limitations on Welfare: We call for a cap welfare assistance of any kind for the able-bodied in the same manner as unemployment.
70. Oversight of Disability Claims: We call for stronger and more stringent reviews of disability claims to ensure that assistance is provided only to those truly in need.
71. Taxes: We urge our Federal Legislators to streamline the Federal Tax Code and implement a Flat Tax, eliminate death taxes and substantially reduce the power of the IRS.
72. E-Verify: The Texas Legislature shall pass laws requiring all employers, businesses and companies operating in the State of Texas to use the E-Verify system to verify citizenship and work visa status and make hiring decisions that follow the law.
73. Right to Work: We strongly support keeping Texas a "Right-to-Work" State.
74. Social Security: Social Security benefits and payments shall only be paid to those individuals who have contributed to the Social Security System.
75. Medicare: Medicare benefits and payments shall only be provided to those individuals who have contributed to the Medicare System.
76. Protect Title IX: We encourage Congress to enforce and protect Title IX and pass legislation that bans the participation of biological men in women's sports.
77. Stop Agenda 21: We call on our Federal Legislators to enact laws to prevent all aspects of Agenda 21 from continuing in our country.
78. Acts of Treason: We urge our Federal Legislators to begin investigations into criminal and/or treasonous activities of the following persons: 1. Hillary Clinton, 2. James B. Comey, 3. Anthony Fauci, and 4. Joseph Biden to be conducted by the State and/or Federal House of Representatives.
79. Energy: Reduce regulation and tax subsidies on energy production; let the market decide.
80. End the DOE: We call on our Federal Legislators to dissolve the U.S. Department of Education.
81. Healthcare: Make health insurance affordable by eliminating the state boundaries. Allow portability. Provide a FEMA-like "pool" for pre-existing conditions. Allow a pick and choose 'menu of benefits.' Repeal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. Make Health Savings Accounts tax deductible, able to roll over, and not tied to an employer. Adequately fund Veteran's medical benefits,

## **Health and Human Services**

82. Patient Bill of Rights: We urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation requiring that the Patient Bill of Rights may not in any way be infringed upon by a hospital's protocols or policies in the State of Texas
83. HIPPA Laws: We strongly urge that the State of Texas enforce HIPPA laws for all Texans..
84. Choose Life: We strongly urge the adoption as both a Platform Plank and Legislative Priority a call for the Texas Legislature to pass legislation building a pro-life, not just an abortion-free, Texas in the wake of Roe v. Wade being overturned.
85. Gender Identity: We under the Government to enact laws protecting minors from distorting influences and specifically prohibiting the use of surgical or chemical treatments used to alter the minor's body to resemble the sex other than the sex determined by DNA or suppress puberty.
86. No Gender Modification: We strongly believe that any and all gender modification of minors, whether surgical, chemical, psychological, or via any other method to be completely banned and made a felony in the State.
87. Healthcare Decisions: The Texas Legislature shall enact penalties for any individual, agency or corporation for interfering in personal health care decisions of citizens.
88. Texas Medical Powers: Direct the Texas Department of State Health Services to issue recommendations empowering doctors with greater liberty to treat patients' medical conditions.
89. Compassionate Use Act: We call upon the Texas Legislature to improve the 2015

Compassionate Use Act to allow doctors to determine the appropriate use of cannabis for their patients.

90. **No Mandates:** We strongly urge the Texas Legislature to enact laws protecting Texans from public and private health related mandates and discrimination caused by such. Ban vaccine passports; prohibit hiring, promoting, or firing workers based on vaccination status; prohibit any attempt to use a citizen's health, infection recovery, or vaccination status as a condition to maintain or obtain employment or employee benefits, attend school or childcare, or access state services; reject any attempts to mandate, force, or coerce any medical test, procedure, or product, including vaccines or masks on Texans; prohibit mask mandates. Do not mandate any experimental vaccine for the purpose of employment, payment of government benefits, or education. Prohibit all attempts by OSHA to enforce any such mandates on any Texan. Do not deny treatments, prescriptions, protocols that have proven successful in other instances.
91. **Repeal and Replace Ten-Day Rule:** We support legislation repealing the unethical Ten-Day Rule in Section 166.046, Health and Safety Code, which allows physicians to withdraw basic life-sustaining treatment (like a ventilator) after an impending countdown. We also support legislation replacing the Ten Day Rule with a truly life-affirming law that requires a patient's or surrogate's medical decision about basic life-sustaining treatment to be honored until the patient is transferred to another physician or facility that will honor the decision to continue life-sustaining treatment.

## **National Defense and Border Security**

92. **Border Security Funding:** We urge the Texas Legislature to impose a fee on all wire transfers of American dollars to any foreign country and allocate these funds to complete the Border Wall and secure the border with Mexico.
93. **Abolish immigrant Resettlement Program:** We call for the Federal Government to disclose, and for State Law to prosecute individuals, entities and organizations who fund, facilitate and manage the buses and aircraft used to 'relocate' undocumented persons into or throughout the State of Texas.
94. **Immigration System:** We demand that state and federal law enforcement officers enforce our immigration laws, implement an entry/exit tracking system for visa holders, and expedite hearings on deporting both violent and non-violent illegal immigrants and visa overstays. Chain migration and the diversity visa lottery should be eliminated. Our legal immigration system should be strictly merit based, and the total number of new immigrants should be limited to a level that facilitates assimilation.

## **State Affairs**

95. **Government Overreach:** In order to preserve the rights of all Texans, we strongly urge the State Legislature to pass a Texas Constitutional Amendment preventing any government entity from enforcing a government "lockdown" shutting down small businesses.
96. **Official Language:** We urge an amendment making English the Official Language of Texas.
97. **Fiscal Protection:** We insist that the IRS or any other federal or state entity never be allowed to invade the privacy or protection of bank accounts belonging to small businesses, 501c, faith based organizations and all private citizens.
98. **Special Sessions:** We call for the Texas Legislature to bring forth a change to the Texas Constitution (Article 4, Section 8) to allow the Legislature to call for a Special Legislative Session on extraordinary occasions to address specific matters of urgency. Be it also resolved that the Texas Legislature put this Amendment before the people for a vote.
99. **Foreign National Lobbying:** We strongly urgent the Texas Legislature to ban multinational corporations from lobbying in the State of Texas.
100. **Texas Land Ownership:** We call on the Texas Legislature to enact laws that ban multinational

corporations and/or foreign national governments from purchasing land in the US or holding deed/title to land in Texas.

101. Term Limits: We call on the State Legislature to establish term limits for all State-wide offices, to include Legislature and Senate, and all County-wide elected offices.
102. Historical Monuments: We strongly believe all historical Confederate monuments in Texas, including names of schools, streets and buildings, shall be protected from future removal or defacement and that those monuments and names that have been removed should be restored to their historical locations.
103. End Time Change: We urge our State Legislature to enact legislation to end to clock-changing to and from Daily Savings and end bi-annual clock changes.
104. Gambling: We encourage the Texas Legislature to bring legislation to the People of Texas and allow for a vote for gambling in the state.
105. Disaster Relief: We Insist that legislators pass a law bringing the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 into compliance with the Texas Constitution.
106. State Budget: We demand the State Legislature freeze the growth of the state budget completely until wasteful agencies and programs have been abolished and a sustainable size of gov. is restored.

## **Elections**

107. Eliminate ERIC: We demand our State Legislature prohibit the use of the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC) in the State of Texas. Implement a fractal voter registration system such as the Fractal Programming Election Integrity System (FPEIS.)
108. Sample Ballots and Endorsement Slates: No mailing of unrequested paper or sample ballots or endorsements slates in the form of a sample ballot may be mailed to voters.
109. Voting Period: We call on the Texas Legislature to create a single "voting period" beginning the first day of early voting and ending on Election Day, eliminating the 3-day gap between early voting and election day, and require results tapes to be printed at the voting location immediately after closing, before memory cards are removed. Elections will be more secure, simpler, more accessible and cost less. [Proposed first as Senate Bill 2232].
110. Ballot by Mail: Ballots by mail may only be processed upon request by voter on an official application only and sent by County Clerk. Mass mailing of applications is prohibited.
111. Offense Enforcement for Election Fraud: We demand the Texas Legislature Codify Civil penalties into the Texas Election Code for all election law violations including reinstatement of felony charges for violations of Election Law. [note: some violations outlined in the recently passed omnibus TX Election law SB1, have civil penalties; however, it would benefit Texans to include every violation.]

## **Parental Rights**

112. Require a Parent's Right to Know and Consent booklet be developed that contains all state and federal law that relate to education.



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