

Report of the 2022 Permanent Legislative Priorities Committee to The Convention

The Permanent Legislative Priorities Committee met on June 16, 2022, Chairman Nathan Macias presiding with Sean Cheben, Michael Salvo, and Shelby Williams serving as Clerk(s) and reports the following:

That the top 15 Ranked Legislative Priorities, as perfected by the Permanent Legislative Priorities Committee, which is attached hereto, be forwarded to the Convention Delegates for their consideration.

I certify the above information to be true & correct:

Nathan Macias

Nathan Macias, Chairman

June 16, 2022



Committee Members

Scott Hommel, SD 1
Marty Reid, SD 2
Dan Hunt, SD 3
Ashley Burke, SD 4
Michael Salvo, SD 5
Tammie Nielsen, SD 6
JR Haas, SD 7
Shelby Williams, SD 8
Vince Puente, SD 9
Jesse Taylor, SD 10
Suzette Griffin, SD 11
Chris Corbett, SD 12
Dr. Milinda Morris, SD 13
Amy O'Donnell, SD 14
Sean Cheben, SD 15
Liz Pickens, SD 16
Henry Bohnert, SD 17
Paul Yamarick, SD 18
Rhonda Marquardt, SD 19
Richard Miller, SD 20
Julie Dahlberg, SD 21
Devvie Duke, SD 22
Troy Jackson, SD 23
Wendy Daughtery, SD 24
Walt Smith, SD 25
Rick Briscoe, SD 26
Jeneria Lewis, SD 27
Chase Marberry, SD 28
Hans Sassenfeld, SD 29
Nancy Dillard, SD 30
Teresa Beckmeyer, SD 31

Protect our Elections

Restore felony penalties and enact civil penalties for Election Code violations, which shall be enforceable by any Texas jurisdiction, including the Texas Attorney General. Require citizenship verification of each voter. Restrict the distribution of mail-in ballots to only disabled, military, and citizens that are out of state. Reduce the time allowed for early voting, and eliminate the three day gap between early voting and election day. Establish closed primaries in Texas. As technology evolves, we encourage the passage of legislation that ensures the security of our elections.

Ban Democrat Chairs

To ensure all legislative priorities are given a fair opportunity to become law, the Republican-controlled Texas legislature shall adopt a rule that would end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats.

Abolish Abortion in Texas

Abolish abortion by ensuring the right to life and equal protection of the laws to all preborn children from the moment of fertilization, including adopting effective tools to ensure the enforcement of our laws to protect life when district attorneys fail to do so.

Eliminate Property Tax

Eliminate Property Tax using every means available to the legislature, with the exception of an income tax, without increasing Texans' overall tax burden.

Stop Sexualizing Texas Kids

Repeal Texas Penal Code "Obscenity Exemption" 43.24(c), which allows children access to harmful, explicit, or pornographic materials and 43.25(f)(2-3), which allows sexual performance by a child. In addition, prohibit teaching, exposure, and/or discussion of sexual matters (mechanics, feelings, orientation, or "gender identity" issues), and prohibit use or provision of related books and other materials using criminal, civil or other enforcement measures.

Protect the Electric Grid

Secure the integrity of Texas Electric Energy production and delivery with abundant, reliable, and resilient energy. Ensure that the Texas Grid can withstand any natural or man-made threat to include weather, cyber, physical, Electro Magnetic Pulse (EMP) and Geomagnetic Disturbances (GMD).

Ban Gender Modification of Children

Texas must ban chemical castration, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, genital mutilation, bodily alteration surgery, psychological/social transitioning, and any other methods applied to or performed on children.

Secure the Border and Protect Texans

Texas shall immediately deny all taxpayer funded services and subsidies to illegal aliens. We call upon the Governor to assert his duty under Article 1, Section 10, Clause 3 of the US Constitution to declare an invasion on our Texas border and do everything in his power to protect Texans from this invasion. The legislature shall direct the Governor to enter into an Interstate Compact with one or more states for Border Security.

Parental Rights and Educational Freedom

Parents are the primary decision makers for their children in all matters. This authority shall be protected as an inalienable right. This shall include the choice of schooling where the money follows the child without strings attached, and enforcement and penalty mechanisms when parents' rights are violated. The right to education shall be free from any social theories.

Protect Medical Freedom

All Texans must be free to make their own medical decisions and have those decisions followed in all situations. This is not limited to life-sustaining treatment (repeal the 10-Day Rule), vaccinations, and COVID-19 treatments (oppose vaccine passports and mask mandates). Allow providers to offer alternative treatments without fear of retribution, discrimination, or privacy violations for all persons involved.

Defend Our Gun Rights

Protect our gun rights against threats, such as red flag laws, federal, state or other restrictions, by strengthening and preserving our inalienable rights under the second amendment to protect our life, liberty and property. The Texas Legislature should eliminate gun-free zones.

Ban Taxpayer-Funded Lobbying

Eliminate the use of tax dollars to hire lobbyists or pay individuals or organizations that lobby any governmental entity.

Stop Executive Overreach

Reform emergency powers at the state, county, and city level to prohibit the creation or suspension of laws that impact entities such as religion and business. Convene with full authority the state legislature, county commissioners court, or city council to ratify, alter or terminate any emergency declaration within 14 days.

Convention of States

Extend Texas' call for a Convention of States to limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government.

Save Women's Sports

Protect women's opportunities, health, safety, and fair play in sports by banning biological men from competing in women's collegiate athletics or any UIL events. Biological males may not use female bathrooms, locker rooms or hotel rooms while participating in school-sanctioned events.

