

Texas Representative Roberto R. Alonzo's



Capitol Report



**Super Tuesday 2016:
Vote Today!**

With many of the first presidential nominating contests now in the books, anticipation is running high as we kick off what is the biggest single day for presidential candidates to receive delegates -- Super Tuesday. This day is often a turning point in most presidential election years, typically serving as the key indicator as to who the nominee will be from each party.

More delegates will be up for grabs at one time than any other point in the election cycle, with 12 states casting primary votes. In all, 595 Republican delegates, about 25 percent of the total number, and 1,004 Democrats are available on Super Tuesday. Texas, is the biggest single prize today, awarding 252 delegates, and could play a dominant role in the nomination fight for both parties. Hispanic residents, who now constitute 38 percent of the state's population, are being aggressively targeted and sought after for their votes.

The less local the race becomes, the more serious the contenders are as national candidates. Seven states will vote next weekend, but starting on March 7, votes and delegates trickle in. Super Tuesday will therefore give the race clarity in a way no other single day can. For this reason, it is crucial for citizens to head out to the polls today and cast their votes.

"It is crucial to remember that your vote is your voice! It is not only our responsibilities as Americans, but also as Texans to make sure our voices are heard and contribute to this monumental race for president. I encourage you to make voting today a priority. Head out to the polls and make sure your friends and family do the same!" urges Rep. Roberto Alonzo.



**Germany Offering Free
Degrees to Foreigners**

Due to the rising cost of tuition and growing competitiveness of employment opportunities in America, it more important now than ever to think outside the box when considering your options for higher education. Tuition in U.S. universities has surged 538% since 1985, meaning higher education is more than 4.5 times as expensive as it was 30 years ago.

There are, however, a number of alternatives to diving nose first into student debt, such as seeking free education at German universities. The number of Americans students enrolled in German universities has risen steadily in recent years. An estimated 10,000 U.S. citizens currently study at German colleges and nearly all of them for free. Courses are offered on an undergraduate and postgraduate level in English, and include subjects such as social sciences, politics and engineering. German colleges are free for both residents and international students.

"What an amazing opportunity for students from around the world to receive a quality education without the burdensome tuition costs and stress of lasting debt. This could even be an option worth exploring for undocumented students in the U.S. who face both legal and financial barriers seeking higher education," stated Rep. Alonzo.



Rep. Alonzo meets with Dallas-Fort Worth Communicators and encourages their initiatives.