

Dear Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family doing well. In last week's Rotunda Report, I highlighted HB 6, my legislation that will give teachers the authority to maintain a safe and effective learning environment in their classrooms. Today, I'm going to continue highlighting the Texas House's education package by telling you more about House Bill 2.

HOUSE BILL 2 – HISTORIC SCHOOL FUNDING

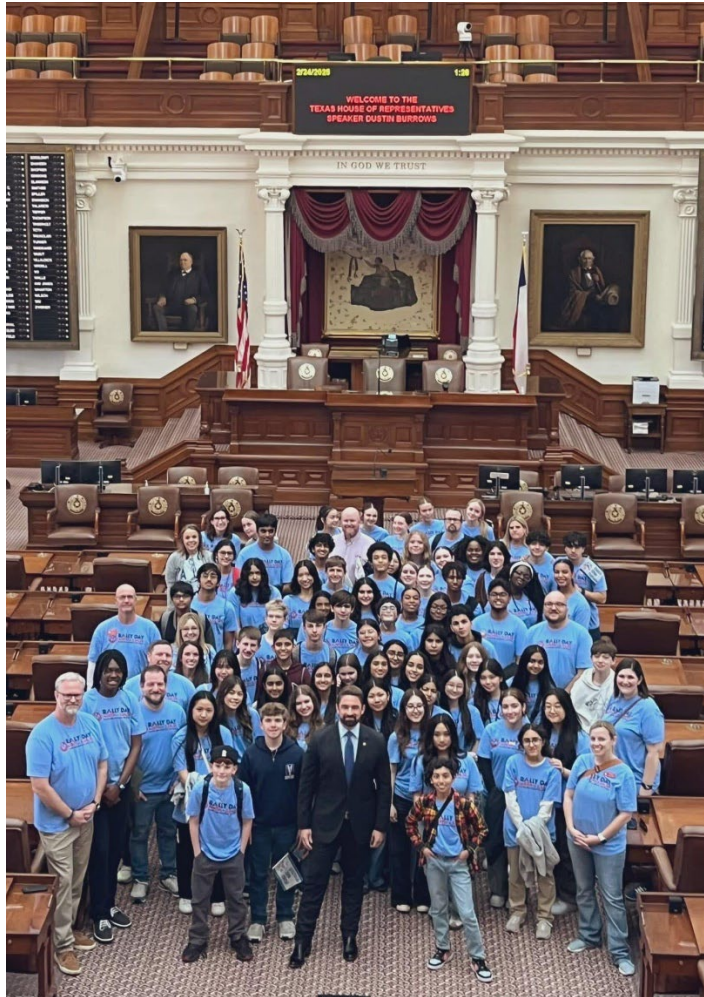
I am incredibly proud to co-author House Bill 2, the Texas House's landmark school finance legislation that will invest over \$9 billion into our public schools. As a product of public schools and a parent of three kids currently in public schools, I know firsthand how critical it is to ensure our classrooms have the resources they need to help every student succeed.

HB 2 makes targeted, strategic investments – raising the basic allotment, increasing teacher pay, and providing much-needed support for rural, small and midsize districts. This is a transformational step toward strengthening our education system, ensuring our teachers are supported, and giving every Texas student the opportunities they deserve. You can rest assured that I will be on the front lines working to get this bill across the finish line.

As a member of the Public Education committee, I also want to invite you to tune in to our committee hearing next Tuesday, March 4th as we begin to hear invited testimony on HB 2. You can watch live beginning at 8am through [this link](#).

THIS WEEK AT THE TEXAS CAPITOL

This week was one of my favorites! We started out by welcoming our parents and students for PTA Rally Day on Monday. I loved hearing from these smart, tenacious and curious leaders – I can tell you that after meeting with them, I know the future of Texas is bright!



On Tuesday we had our first Public Education committee hearing where we heard directly from Commissioner Mike Morath on the state of public education in Texas. It was informative and eye opening and allowed us a chance to ask some tough questions as we prepare to start hearing bills next week.



Wednesday we welcomed our friends from Plano for Plano Legislative Days and Thursday was Allen Legislative Days. It was great to have folks from the City, Chamber and the school district at the Capitol. I'm proud to represent these two powerhouse cities and look forward to locking arms with them for a successful and productive session.





I also had the privilege of attending the State of the Judiciary and hearing from Chief Justice Jimmy Blacklock on the challenges and priorities facing our courts. As Chair of the Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Committee, I look forward to leading on the necessary reforms to support our judiciary and ensure Texans receive the justice they deserve.



It was wonderful having Becky in town for a couple of days where we had the privilege of attending the TCCRI Black Tie and Boots Gala as well as the Texas Cultural Trust 2025 Medal of the Arts Awards. Two wonderful events highlighting the best of the Lone Star State!



I hope you and your family are able to get out and enjoy this beautiful weather we are having this weekend! As always, if there is anything my office or I can do for you, please don't hesitate to reach out.

All My Best,

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