

## WITNESS LIST

Health & Human Services

March 26, 2025 8:00 AM

### SB 397

FOR:

Cox, Nora CEO (Texas e-Health Alliance), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

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

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

AGAINST:

Caballero, Darcy (Self; Planned Parenthood Texas Votes), Austin, TX

### SB 481

FOR:

Ducayet, Patricia State Long-Term Care Ombudsman (also providing written testimony) (State Long Term Care Ombudsman Program), Austin, TX

Earl, Andrea (also providing written testimony) (AARP TX), Austin, TX

Schoeman, Alexa (also providing written testimony) (Self; Long Term Care Ombudsman), Austin, TX

ON:

Cayton, Marsha (Seven Acres Jewish Senior Care Services), Houston, TX

Tilton, Carmen (also providing written testimony) (Texas Assisted Living Association), West Lake Hills, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Bearden, Chase Executive Director (Self; Coalition of Texans with Disabilities), Austin, TX

Caldwell, Katelyn (Harris County Commissioners Court), Houston, TX

Carr, Snapper Attorney (City of Sugar Land), Austin, TX

Clarke, Michael (The Arc of Texas), Austin, TX

Cusack, Erin Director of Government Affairs (Texas Nurse Practitioners), Austin, TX

Dowling, Matt Director of Public Affairs (Texas Medical Association), Austin, TX

Griffin, Brennan Senior Deputy Director (Self; Texas Appleseed), Austin, TX

Hoskins, Marc Policy Specialist (Disability Rights Texas), Austin, TX

Islam, Nadia Government Affairs Administrator (City of San Antonio), San Antonio, TX

Jeffreys, Holly (Self), Amarillo, TX

McKenzie, Charlotte AARP TX State President (AARP TX), Frisco, TX

Murphy, Kaitlyn (Greater Houston Partnership), Austin, TX

Nichols, Mary (Self; Texas Caregivers for Compromise), Forney, TX

Oney, Jessica (NRG), Austin, TX

Reed, Cyrus Legislative and Conservation Director (Lone Star Chapter Sierra Club), Austin, TX

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

Tower, Houston General Counsel (Self; Austin EMS Association), Austin, TX

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Wynn, Monty (Texas Municipal League), Austin, TX

ON:

Dionne-Vahalik, Michelle (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

Ellison, Brooke (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

Kendall, Mark (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

Peterson, Bronz (Self; The Independent Coalition of Nursing Home Providers), Flower Mound, TX

### Providing written testimony:

FOR:

Sanchez, Melissa Texas Senior Director of Public Policy (Alzheimer's Association), Austin, TX

### SB 596

FOR:

Waldock, Brianna (TexProtects), Dallas, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Baker, Sydney (Self; Buckner International), Austin, TX

Bristol, Mercedes Executive Director (Self; Texas Grandparents Raising Grandchildren), San Antonio, TX

Crockett, Sarah Director of Public Policy (Texas CASA), Austin, TX

Green, Kathy Director of Advocacy (AARP Texas), Austin, TX

Hatcher, Julia Attorney (Self; Texas Association of Family Defense Attorneys - TAFDA), Galveston, TX

Logan, Brandon Senior Fellow (Family Freedom Project), Lubbock, TX

Murphy, Kate Director of Child Protection Policy (Texans Care for Children), Austin, TX

Powell, Judy Communications Director (Parent Guidance Center), Austin, TX

Ramirez, Rebecca Policy Intern (The National Association of Social Workers Texas Chapter), Austin, TX

ON:

Talbert, Marta Associate Commissioner of Investigations (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

### SB 760

FOR:

Johnson, Ed (Self; Harris County Balance Security), Houston, TX

ON:

Ducayet, Patricia State Long-Term Care Ombudsman (State Long Term Care Ombudsman Program), Austin, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

AGAINST:

Hendrickson, Andrew (ACLU of Texas), Dripping Springs, TX

ON:

Adkins, Christina Director of Elections (Texas Secretary of State), Austin, TX

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Dionne-Vahalik, Michelle (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

### Providing written testimony:

#### AGAINST:

French, Emily (Common Cause Texas), Austin, TX

Warms, Veronikah (Texas Civil Rights Project), Austin, TX

#### ON:

Cascio, Charles Senior Associate State Director (AARP Texas), Austin, TX

### SB 855

#### FOR:

Brown, Andrew Vice President of Policy (Texas Public Policy Foundation), Austin, TX

Head, Vim (Self), Katy, TX

Jones, Kelsee Executive Director (Self; High Sky Children's Ranch), Midland, TX

Logan, Brandon Executive Director (also providing written testimony) (Self; One Accord for Kids), Midland, TX

#### ON:

Crockett, Sarah Director of Public Policy (Texas CASA), Austin, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

#### FOR:

Eichler, Shera (Goldwater Institute), Austin, TX

Hatcher, Julia Attorney (Self; Texas Association of Family Defense Attorneys - TAFDA), Galveston, TX

James, Nick (Cicero Action), Austin, TX

#### ON:

Layman, Katherine (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

Ramon, Mariah (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

### Providing written testimony:

#### ON:

Mares, Bryan Government Relations Director (The National Association of Social Workers Texas Chapter), Austin, TX

### SB 1195

#### FOR:

Brown, Andrew Vice President of Policy (also providing written testimony) (Texas Public Policy Foundation), Austin, TX

Hatcher, Julia Attorney (Self; Texas Association of Family Defense Attorneys - TAFDA), Galveston, TX

Logan, Brandon Senior Fellow (Family Freedom Project), Lubbock, TX

#### ON:

Muth, Stephanie Commissioner (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

Sims, Jennifer Deputy Commissioner of Operations (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

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### Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Burke, Gino Student (Self), Pflugerville, TX  
Burke, John Parent (Self), Pflugerville, TX  
Burke, Teresa Parent (Self), Pflugerville, TX  
Powell, Judy Communications Director (Parent Guidance Center), Austin, TX

### SB 1196

FOR:

Brown, Andrew Vice President of Policy (Texas Public Policy Foundation), Austin, TX  
Hatcher, Julia Attorney (Self; Texas Association of Family Defense Attorneys - TAFDA),  
Galveston, TX  
Logan, Brandon Senior Fellow (Family Freedom Project), Lubbock, TX

ON:

Muth, Stephanie Commissioner (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX  
Sims, Jennifer Deputy Commissioner of Operations (Dept of Family and Protective  
Services), Austin, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Powell, Judy Communications Director (Parent Guidance Center), Austin, TX

ON:

Linkous, Shane General Counsel (State Office of Administrative Hearings), Austin, TX  
Lutostanski, Andrew Deputy Chief ALJ (State Office of Administrative Hearings), Austin,  
TX  
McMillan, Lance Chief Financial Officer (State Office of Administrative Hearings), Austin,  
TX  
Sims, Jennifer Deputy Commissioner of Operations (Dept of Family and Protective  
Services), Austin, TX

### SB 1233

FOR:

Benton, Megan Strategic Policy Associate (Self; Texas Values Action), Austin, TX  
Furnace, Samantha (Texas Right to Life), Austin, TX  
Leenerts, Ashley Legislative Director (also providing written testimony) (Self; Texas  
Right to Life), Bellaire, TX  
O'Donnell, Amy Communications Director Texas Alliance For Life (Texas Alliance for  
Life), Austin, TX  
Trammell, Ava (Self), Burleson, TX

ON:

Frost, Natalie MD (Self; Texas EMS, Trauma & Acute Care Foundation (TETAF)), Austin,  
TX  
Tomlinson, Maxcine Director of Governmental Relations (also providing written  
testimony) (Texas New Mexico Hospice and Palliative Care Organization), Austin, TX

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### Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Allmon, Jennifer Executive Director (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops), Austin, TX  
Castle, Mary Elizabeth Director of Government Relations (Texas Values), Austin, TX  
Dowling, Matt Director of Public Affairs (Texas Medical Association), Austin, TX  
Pojman Ph.D., Joe Executive Director (Texas Alliance for Life), Austin, TX  
Reynolds, David (Texas Chapter American College of Physicians), Austin, TX  
Romero, Michelle Associate Vice President of Public Affairs (Texas Medical Association), Austin, TX

ON:

Homsy, Suling (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX  
Starkey, Crystal (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

### Providing written testimony:

ON:

Lusardi, Nicole Associate General Counsel (Texas Hospital Association), Austin, TX

### SB 1257

FOR:

Aldaco, Soren (Self), Austin, TX  
Covey, Jonathan Director of Policy (Texas Values), Austin, TX  
Ross, Jared Dr. (Do No Harm Action), Glen Allen, VA

AGAINST:

Hall, Ash (Self; ACLU of Texas), Austin, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Agarwal, Elizabeth (Self), Plano, TX  
Allmon, Jennifer Executive Director (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops), Austin, TX  
Castilla, Cindi President, Texas Eagle Forum (Self; Texas Eagle Forum), Dallas, TX  
Castle, Mary Elizabeth Director of Government Relations (Texas Values), Austin, TX  
Evans, Michelle (Self), Round Rock, TX  
Layne, Tracy Mrs. (Self), Ft. Worth, TX  
Roberts, Marco (Self; Texas Conservative Liberty Forum), Houston, TX

AGAINST:

Butcher, Callie (Self), Dallas, TX  
Caballero, Darcy (Self; Planned Parenthood Texas Votes), Austin, TX  
Hendrickson, Andrew (ACLU of Texas), Dripping Springs, TX  
Jones, Noah (Texas Counseling Association), Austin, TX  
Laeky, Miriam Government Affairs Director (Self; Equality Texas), Austin, TX  
Laeky, Miriam Government Affairs Director (Self; Equality Texas), Austin, TX  
Mashburn, Taft (Self), Austin, TX

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Morris, Ren (Self), Austin, TX  
Morris, Tory (Self), Austin, TX  
Richie, Landon (Self; Transgender Education Network of Texas), Missouri City, TX  
Riley, Kyle Reverand (Self; Texas Impact), Austin, TX  
Thompson, Stephanie (Self), Austin, TX

### SB 1318

FOR:

Childs, Tilden Dr. (Self; Texas Medical Association, Texas Radiological Society), Fort Worth, TX  
Porter, Clifford Dr. (Self; Texas Public Policy Foundation), Austin, TX  
Torres, Noah Mr. (also providing written testimony) (Texas Public Policy Foundation), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Wohleb, Steve General Counsel (Texas Hospital Association), Austin, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Cusack, Erin Director of Government Affairs (Texas Nurse Practitioners), Austin, TX  
Flanders, Caitlin (USAP), Austin, TX  
Frazee, Jack (Texas Nurses Association), Austin, TX  
Green, Shelton (American Academy of Physician Associates), Austin, TX  
James, Nick (Cicero Action), Austin, TX  
Jeffreys, Holly (Self), Amarillo, TX  
Kenderdine, Marshall (Texas Academy of Family Physicians), Austin, TX  
Reynolds, David (Texas Chapter American College of Physicians), Austin, TX  
Vallot, Colette (Texas Academy of Physician Assistants (TAPA)), Austin, TX  
Wittenburg, Michelle (US Anesthesia Partners), Austin, TX

### SB 1368

FOR:

Cayton, Marsha (Seven Acres Jewish Senior Care Services), Houston, TX  
Christensen, Laurie Fire Marshal (Harris County Commissioners Court), Houston, TX  
Tilton, Carmen (also providing written testimony) (Texas Assisted Living Association), West Lake Hills, TX

ON:

Ducayet, Patricia State Long-Term Care Ombudsman (State Long Term Care Ombudsman Program), Austin, TX  
Earl, Andrea (AARP TX), Austin, TX  
Peterson, Bronz (Self; The Independent Coalition of Nursing Home Providers), Flower Mound, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Bearden, Chase Executive Director (Self; Coalition of Texans with Disabilities), Austin, TX

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Bray, Doug (Caraday Healthcare, THCA), Horseshoe Bay, Texas, TX  
Clardy, Travis President/CEO (Texas Health Care Association), Austin, TX  
Dowling, Matt Director of Public Affairs (Texas Medical Association), Austin, TX  
Haynes, Adam Policy Director (Conference of Urban Counties), Austin, TX  
Islam, Nadia Government. Affairs Administrator (City of San Antonio), San Antonio, TX  
Sanders, Joshua Chief of Intergovernmental Affairs (City of Houston), Houston, TX  
Wynn, Monty (Texas Municipal League), Austin, TX

### AGAINST:

Nichols, Mary (Self; Texas Caregivers for Compromise), Forney, TX

### ON:

Dionne- Vahalik, Michelle (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX  
Ellison, Brooke (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX  
Kendall, Mark (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

### SB 1388

### FOR:

Akins, Vickie (Chosen Ones), Paradise, TX  
Allmon, Jennifer Executive Director (also providing written testimony) (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops), Austin, TX  
Castle, Mary Elizabeth Director of Government Relations (Texas Values), Austin, TX  
Cavaliere, Mark CEO (also providing written testimony) (Guiding Star Southwest & The Lily Pad Maternity Home), El Paso, TX  
Chapel, Susan Director of Advancement (Self; Pregnancy Assistance Center North), Spring, TX  
Furnace, Samantha (Texas Right to Life), Austin, TX  
Leenerts, Ashley Legislative Director (Self; Texas Right to Life), Bellaire, TX  
Marburger, Katlyn Executive Director (Brenham Pregnancy Center & Bryan Pregnancy Center), Brenham, TX  
O'Donnell, Amy Communications Director (Texas Alliance for Life), Austin, TX  
Pojman Ph.D., Joe Executive Director (Texas Alliance for Life), Austin, TX  
Powell, Vickie Executive Director (Self; Texas Pregnancy Network), Paris, TX  
Ruf, Linda CEO (JPPI Life Center), Austin, TX  
Wright, Kyleen President, Texans for Life Committee (Self; Texans for Life), Arlington, TX

### Registering, but not testifying:

### FOR:

Johnson, Sylvia Executive Director (Self; FifthWard Pregnancy Help Center), Houston, TX  
Litzler, John (Baptist General Convention of Texas Christian Life Commission), Dallas, TX  
O'Banion, Stephanie Director of Impact & Engagement (United Ways of Texas), Austin, TX  
Youman, Chelsey National Director of Public Policy (Self; Human Coalition), Plano, TX

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AGAINST:

Green, Ashley (Self; Paris Pregnancy Care Center), Paris, TX

Rose, Charlie Program Director (Self; Texas Pregnancy Network), Paris, TX

ON:

O'Neill, Audrey Deputy Commissioner of Programs (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

Starkey, Crystal (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

### SB 1398

FOR:

Hatcher, Julia Attorney (Self; Texas Association of Family Defense Attorneys - TAFDA), Galveston, TX

Judice, Kerrie Director of Policy and Advocacy (TexProtects), Dallas, TX

Walters, Rachel (Texas Alliance of Child and Family Services (TACFS)), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Baker, Sydney (Self; Buckner International), Austin, TX

Crockett, Sarah Director of Public Policy (Texas CASA), Austin, TX

Harris, Rand (Texas Family Initiative), Austin, TX

Logan, Brandon Executive Director (Self; One Accord for Kids), Midland, TX

Lundy, Scott (Arrow Child and Family Ministries), Spring, TX

Murphy, Kate Director of Child Protection Policy (Texans Care for Children), Austin, TX

Powell, Judy Communications Director (Parent Guidance Center), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Elias, Samantha (Self), Austin, TX

Neikirk, Christine (Self), TX

### SB 1524

FOR:

Carruth, Kyle State Director (Self; Gun Owners of America), Lubbock, TX

Tuccio, Nicholas State Director (National Rifle Association), Austin, TX

ON:

Ashworth-Mazerolle, Rachel (Health and Human Services Commission), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Borskey, Mark Mr. (Texas State Rifle Association), Austin, TX

Logan, Brandon Senior Fellow (Family Freedom Project), Lubbock, TX

McNutt, Chris President of Texas Gun Rights (Self; Texas Gun Rights), Weatherford, TX

Mica, Tara (Texas State Rifle Association), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Garza, Roger Texas State Director (Self; GIFFORDS), Austin, TX

Golden, Nicole (Self; Texas Gun Sense), Austin, TX

Murphy, Kate Director of Child Protection Policy (Texans Care for Children), Austin, TX



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ON:

O'Neill, Audrey Deputy Commissioner of Programs (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

SB 1558

FOR:

Lundy, Scott (Arrow Child and Family Ministries), Spring, TX

Walters, Rachel (Texas Alliance of Child and Family Services (TACFS)), Austin, TX

AGAINST:

Powell, Judy Communications Director (Parent Guidance Center), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

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

Autry, Evan (Foster Village Inc), Austin, TX

Chanow, Murray Senior VP Advocacy (Upbring), Austin, TX

Harris, Rand (Texas Family Initiative), Austin, TX

Hayne, James Area Chairman (Self), San Antonio, TX

Hicks, Sarah (BCFS Health and Human Services), Austin, TX

Lee, Gerald Associate (Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce), Austin, TX

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

Petersen, Matthew COO (New Horizons), Abilene, TX

Redden, Michael CEO (Self; New Horizons Ranch and Center, Inc), Abilene, TX

Schoenfeld, Liz CEO (Youth and Family Alliance / LifeWorks), Austin, TX

Stinnett, Samantha (Upbring), Austin, TX

Sullivan, Ray (First Day Foundation), Austin, TX

Wilson, Douglas Director of Finance (A World For Children), Round Rock, TX

AGAINST:

Spiller, Lee Executive Director (Citizens Commission on Human Rights), Austin, TX

Wendell, Ware Executive Director (Texas Watch), Austin, TX

ON:

Muth, Stephanie Commissioner (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

Perdue, Jim (Self; Texas Trial Lawyers Association), Austin, TX

Providing written testimony:

FOR:

Baker, Sydney (Self; Buckner International), Austin, TX

SB 1589

ON:

Muth, Stephanie Commissioner (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Baker, Sydney (Self; Buckner International), Austin, TX

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Crockett, Sarah Director of Public Policy (Texas CASA), Austin, TX  
Judice, Kerrie Director of Policy and Advocacy (TexProtects), Dallas, TX  
Murphy, Kate Director of Child Protection Policy (Texans Care for Children), Austin, TX

### SB 1677

FOR:

Harkless, Lawrence Dr. (Texas Podiatric Medical Association), San Antonio, TX

ON:

Lavery, Lawrence Professor (Self; University of Texas Health), San Antonio, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Dowling, Matt Director of Public Affairs (Texas Medical Association; Texas Public Health Coalition), Austin, TX

Dunsavage, Douglas Government Affairs Director (American Diabetes Association), Dallas, TX

Reynolds, David (Texas Chapter American College of Physicians), Austin, TX

Romero, Michelle Associate Vice President of Public Affairs (Texas Medical Association), Austin, TX

Romo, Joel (American Diabetes Association), Brenham, TX

Yanas, Christine VP of Policy & Advocacy (Methodist Healthcare Ministries), San Antonio, TX

ON:

Bhakta, Nimisha Director, Health Promotion & Chronic Disease Prevention (Department of State Health Services), Austin, TX

### SB 1792

AGAINST:

Powell, Judy Communications Director (Parent Guidance Center), Austin, TX

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Hunt, Ray Executive Director (Self; Houston Police Officers' Union), Houston, TX

ON:

O'Neill, Audrey Deputy Commissioner of Programs (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX

### SB 2034

Registering, but not testifying:

FOR:

Baker, Sydney (Self; Buckner International), Austin, TX

Crockett, Sarah Director of Public Policy (Texas CASA), Austin, TX

Judice, Kerrie Director of Policy and Advocacy (TexProtects), Dallas, TX

Murphy, Kate Director of Child Protection Policy (Texans Care for Children), Austin, TX

Williams, M Paige Dallas County Assistant District Attorney (Dallas Criminal District Attorney John Creuzot), Dallas, TX

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ON:

Muth, Stephanie Commissioner (Dept of Family and Protective Services), Austin, TX