The 87th Session of the Texas Legislature will formally start on January 10, 2023.

The Speaker of the House is the most important and powerful office in the Texas Legislature.

Although a Republican Majority in the House should have no big problems in passing the Republican Legislative Priorities, recent legislative sessions have a dismal record of passing our Priorities into law. A copy of the Republican Legislative Priorities is attached.

Legislation promoting our Republican Priorities have not been successful in recent years primarily because the Speaker has appointed Democrats to Chair many of the strategic House Committees and they have ignored or block our Priorities in various ways. There is much more to know about this abuse of power, but the issue at the moment is to make your voice heard by sending a message to Dade Phelan, current Speaker and will probably be re-elected Speaker. Request, plead or demand that Phelan appoint only Republicans to Committee Chairmanships, not Democrats!

Please send a <u>SHORT hand written message</u> on a post card or short letter (**no emails, no typed letters**) to Dade Phelan insisting that only Republicans be appointed as Committee Chairmen.

Consider <u>only one</u> of the following statements to include in your card or letter <u>or</u> something similar that your dream up:

- Please make every effort to ensure that all Republican Legislative Priorities are given a fair opportunity to become law. This will only happen with Republican appointed to committee chairmanships.
- The Republican-controlled Texas legislature should adopt a rule that would end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats.
- We want Republican Control of committees with our Republican Majority.
- STOP awarding chairmanships to Democrats!!!
- Republican Legislative Priorities must be YOUR priority!
- We want Republican control of Committees with our Republican Majority.
  Appoint only Republicans to be Committee Chairmen!
- Prove to us your office is not for sale to Democrats.
  Appoint only Republicans to Chair all Committees!
- Our Republican Legislative Priorities will be successful only with Republican Committee Chairmen.

Letter To B/CS Tea Party Supporters November 22, 2022

- The Republican Legislative Priorities deserve every opportunity for passage and that will require appointment of Committee Chairs who are dedicated to enacting them. Appoint only Republicans to Chair Committees.
- Please step to the plate and support our Priorities with Chairmen that support Republican values.

Send your card or short letter to:

Representative Dade Phelan P.O. Box 2910 Capitol Station Austin, Texas 78711

In addition, please follow up with making three phone calls to personally request that they support a Speaker of the House that will appoint only Republicans for Committee Chairmen. Previous Democrat Chairmen have blocked or ignored our Legislative Priorities.

Rep. Dade Phelan (Capitol Phone: (512) 463-1100 or District Phone: (409) 745-2777)

Lt. Governor Dan Patrick 512 463-0001

And one to your Republican House Representative:

HD14 Rep. John Raney (512) 463-0698 or (979) 260-5040

OR

HD12 Kyle Kacal (512) 463-0412 or (979) 774-7276

Please make the written message and phone calls a priority and please get it done no later than December 2, 2022.

All For LIBERTY!

Your B/CS Tea Party Leadership Team