



Lieutenant Governor of Texas

**Dan Patrick**



**Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick  
and the Texas Senate Achieved Your  
Priorities**

**84TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
JANUARY - JUNE 2015**

*"The most successful session in the history of the Texas Senate for  
conservative legislation.*

*Promises Made - Promises Kept"*

- Lt. Governor Dan Patrick



# IT'S A NEW DAY IN TEXAS

TEXAS PATRIOTS

*DEAR TEXAS PATRIOTS,*

*AS THIS 84TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION HAS COME TO AN END, I WANT TO PERSONALLY THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SERVE AS LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF TEXAS. TIME AND TIME AGAIN I'VE SAID THIS IS THE GREATEST JOB I'VE EVER HAD AND I SINCERELY ENJOY EVERY DAY SERVING AS YOUR SERVANT LEADER. I HAVE YOU, MY CONSTITUENTS, AND THE WILL OF GOD TO THANK FOR SUPPORTING ME IN THIS POSITION.*

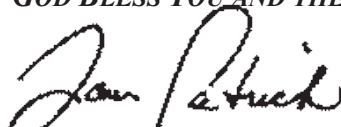
*I'M HONORED TO GOVERN AS PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND PLAY A ROLE IN PASSING HISTORIC LEGISLATION IN WHAT I SINCERELY BELIEVE WAS ONE OF TEXAS' GREATEST LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS. THE SENATORS AND I WORKED HARD ALL SESSION TO ENSURE YOUR PRIORITIES WERE ADDRESSED THROUGHOUT THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS. I'M PROUD TO SAY ALL OF YOUR SHARED PRIORITIES WERE PASSED OUT OF THE SENATE.*

*MAJOR REFORM TOOK PLACE THIS SESSION, INCLUDING UNPRECEDENTED LEVELS OF FUNDING TO SECURE OUR BORDER, SIGNIFICANT PROPERTY TAX AND BUSINESS TAX CUTS, GREATER SCHOOL CHOICE OPTIONS, EXPANSION OF SECOND AMENDMENT FREEDOMS, FURTHER DEFENSE OF TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE, PROTECTING THE 1ST AMENDMENT RIGHTS OF TEXAS PASTORS, AND MORE. WE HAVE DELIVERED ON OUR MANY PROMISES TO TEXANS AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.*

*EVERY DAY WILL CONTINUE TO BE "A NEW DAY IN THE GREAT STATE OF TEXAS."*

*THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS YOUR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE MANY SESSIONS AHEAD.*

*GOD BLESS YOU AND THE GREAT STATE OF TEXAS,*



DAN PATRICK

*LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF TEXAS*

*"Whomever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant."  
Matthew 20:26 (NLT)*



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## Protecting Texans 2nd Amendment Rights

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*PROTECT YOUR RIGHT TO DEFEND YOUR HOME*

*FIGHT TO ALLOW CAMPUS CARRY*

*GOVERNMENT SIGNAGE INTEGRITY*

*FIGHT FOR OPEN CARRY*

*NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT CLEANUP BILL*

*FIREARM SALES TAX EXEMPTION*

*[For More Details Click Here](#)*

**LT. GOVERNOR NEWS RELEASE - MARCH 18, 2015**

"I am proud of the fact that the Texas Senate is making history while defending life, liberty and our Second Amendment Right."

- Lt. Governor Dan Patrick



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## BORDER SECURITY

### Implement Strong Border Security

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**INCREASES THE NUMBER OF BORDER SECURITY OFFICERS** BY INCREASING  
JOINT OPERATIONS AND TRAINING WITH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE TEXAS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD.

**DRAMATIC INCREASE IN BORDER SECURITY FUNDING TO \$800 MILLION**

**10 - HOUR WORKDAY FOR DPS OFFICIALS**

**CREATION OF MULTI-AGENCY TRAINING FACILITY IN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY**

**E-VERIFY**

*For More Details Click Here*

### TEXAS SENATE NEWS RELEASE - FEBRUARY 10, 2015

“We have identified \$12 million dollars to keep the guard funded until the end of May. This will give us time to work on getting a supplemental bill to further and permanently fund our law enforcement along the border.

“While securing the border is a responsibility of Washington, DC, it is still a Texas problem

“That’s why the Senate budget that was put forth earlier this session will continue to fund the guard for the next two years and provide funding for DPS at the highest levels in history to protect our border.”

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## Defending Life And Traditional Marriage

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*AMICUS BRIEF [FILED IN SUPPORT OF HB 2](#)*

*[DEFENDING INNOCENT LIVES](#)*

*[PROHIBIT ABORTION ON UNDERAGE CHILDREN WITHOUT PARENT CONSENT](#)*

*[PROTECT THE CLERGY AND CHURCHES FROM PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES AGAINST  
THEIR BELIEFS](#)*

*[RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACROSS THE STATE](#)*

*[FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT IS PROTECTED - \[SERMON PROTECTION\]\(#\)](#)*

*[PRESERVE THE \[TRADITIONAL DEFINITION OF MARRIAGE\]\(#\)](#)*

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### LT. GOVERNOR NEWS RELEASE - MAY 11, 2015

“Religious leaders should never be compelled to provide any kind of service that separates them from the fundamental principles of their faith.”

- Lt. Governor Dan Patrick





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## EDUCATION

## Education Reform

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***MAKES TEXAS A LEADER FOR SCHOOL CHOICE***

***EXPANDS PARENT RIGHTS AND INCREASES TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN SCHOOLS***

***INCREASES TEACHER QUALITY AND PROMOTES MATH AND SCIENCE TEACHERS***

***A-F RATING SYSTEM FOR CAMPUSES AND DISTRICTS***

***ENSURES ALL STUDENTS ARE AT READING LEVEL BY THE 4TH GRADE***

***PLACES GREATER EMPHASIS ON JOB TRAINING AND ONLINE LEARNING***

***PROMOTES SEAMLESS TRANSFER IN HIGHER EDUCATION***

*[For More Details Click Here](#)*

## LT. GOVERNOR NEWS RELEASE - APRIL 20, 2015

“The historic passage of SB 4 in the Texas Senate is a clear victory for our parents, students and Texas,” said Lt. Governor Dan Patrick. “Giving our children the flexibility of attending a better school, for their future, is about giving them opportunity. No parent or student should ever feel trapped in a failing school.” *“Whomever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant.”*

*Matthew 20:26 (NLT)* - Lt. Governor Dan Patrick



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### **Ethics Expansion**

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#### **LIMITED GOVERNMENT**

**PUBLIC INTEGRITY UNIT WILL MOVE TO THE TEXAS RANGER DIVISION OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND GIFTS BETWEEN VENDORS AND  
GOVERNMENT OFFICERS**

*[For More Details Click Here](#)*

### **LT. GOVERNOR NEWS RELEASE - MAY 1, 2015**

"I couldn't be more proud of them and of all the Senators for the hard work and additional transparency and accountability we're providing for Texas taxpayers."

- Lt. Governor Dan Patrick



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TAXES

## Tax Relief and Reform for Texas Homeowners and Businesses

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[HISTORIC TAX RELIEF FOR HOMEOWNERS](#)

[25-PERCENT FRANCHISE TAX CUT FOR BUSINESSES](#)

[TAX REFORM: TAXING ENTITIES REQUIRED TO HAVE A SUPER MAJORITY TO INCREASE PROPERTY VALUES](#)

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### LT. GOVERNOR NEWS RELEASE - APRIL 30, 2015

“Property tax relief has been one of the Senate’s top priorities. SB 1760 delivers true tax relief for Texas homeowners by placing a downward pressure on the oppressive growth of property taxes through transparency.”

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## Transportation

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*LONG-TERM, RELIABLE FUNDING SOURCE FOR TRANSPORTATION*

*ENDING DIVERSIONS OF EXISTING GAS TAX REVENUE FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY FUND*

*REDIRECT ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF FUNDING WHERE THEY BELONG*

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### LT. GOVERNOR NEWS RELEASE - FEBRUARY 4, 2015

“Making additional revenue available will allow us to refocus on a pay-as-you-go system for our roadways and steer us away from debt and toll roads.”

- Lt. Governor Dan Patrick