



Center for Public Policy Priorities

Urge Legislators to Get the Facts Before Voting on the Tax Bill

The Legislature is in the final stages of writing House Bill 3, a bill that could cut school property taxes by \$5.5 billion a year. The cuts would be paid for by raising the sales tax, as well as taxes on cigarettes, alcohol, and businesses. With earlier versions of the bill, legislators were able to examine a "tax equity note"--an analysis of how proposed changes will affect businesses and families--before they voted.

With billions of dollars on the line, urge Lt. Governor Dewhurst, Speaker Craddick, and the HB3 conferees to request an equity note on any proposed tax bill. All legislators should know the facts before they vote on the bill.

Lt. Governor Dewhurst: 463-0001

Speaker Craddick: 463-1000

Sen. Ogden: 463-0105

Sen. Brimer: 463-0110

Sen. Fraser: 463-0124

Sen. Staples: 463-0103

Sen. Zaffirini: 463-0121

Rep. Keffer: 463-0656

Rep. Chisum: 463-0736

Rep. Geren: 463-0610

Rep. Otto: 463-0570

Rep. Swinford: 463-0470