



2020-21 Legislative Priorities passed by delegates to the 2020 Republican Party of Texas State Convention

The delegates represented grassroots Republicans from 31 State Senate Districts and were chosen by Republican grassroots activists at the precinct and county level. **It is a bottom-up process designed to ensure that local values are represented.**

The Republican Party of Texas urges State Senate and House GOP Caucuses to adopt these legislative priorities as their own to pass during the 87th legislative session:

Election Integrity: Require citizenship verification of each voter and felony penalties for Election Code violations that threaten election integrity.

Religious Freedom: Restore the rights of individuals, organizations, and businesses to exercise their sincerely held religious beliefs by prohibiting local ordinances, state laws, or executive orders that violate those rights.

Children and Gender Modification: Abolish the following practices for minors: intervention to prevent natural progression of puberty; administration of opposite sex hormones; and performance of any type of gender reassignment surgery.

Abolition of Abortion: Abolish abortion by ensuring the right to life and equal protection of the laws to all preborn children from the moment of fertilization.

Constitutional Carry (Permit-less carry for legal gun owners): Restore legal Texas firearms owners' rights to carry them openly or concealed without a permit, while maintaining the option of a permit for reciprocity purposes.

Monument Protection: All monuments or markers in our state shall be protected by law from being removed, defaced, destroyed, or otherwise dishonored. In particular, specific protection shall be given to the Alamo Cenotaph which shall not be removed from its current location off the Alamo Battlefield footprint.

School Choice for All: Empower parents and guardians to choose from public, private, charter, or homeschool options for their children's education using tax credits or exemptions without government restraint or intrusion.

Ban Taxpayer-Funded Lobbying: Abolish all forms of taxpayer-funded lobbying.

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This additional legislative priority came from Republican Party of Texas Chair LTC Allen West's Committee on Executive Overreach and addresses the unconstitutional executive "emergency" authority taken during COVID-19.

Reverse the abuse of the executive power (Governor) and restore the rightful limitations on government authority prescribed in the US Constitution and in the Texas Constitution.