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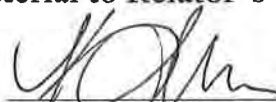
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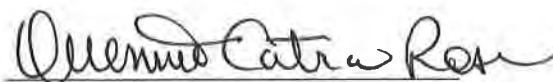
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1. "My name is Kimberly Gdula. I am over 18 years of age, of sound mind, and can make this affidavit. The facts in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.
2. "I am the Chief of the General Litigation Division in the Office of the Attorney General of Texas. The Quo Warranto Record, attached hereto, contains true and correct copies documents material to Relator's claim for relief."



Kimberly Gdula

Subscribed and sworn to me on this the 8th day of August, 2025.



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GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

August 3, 2025

Real Texans do not run from a fight. But that's exactly what most of the Texas House Democrats just did. Rather than doing their job and voting on urgent legislation affecting the lives of all Texans, they have fled Texas to deprive the House of the quorum necessary to meet and conduct business.

These absences are not merely unintended and unavoidable interruptions in public service, like a sudden illness or a family emergency. Instead, these absences were premeditated for an illegitimate purpose—what one representative called “breaking quorum.” Another previously signaled that Democrats “would have to go by an extreme measure” of a quorum break “*to stop these bills from happening.*” In other words, Democrats hatched a deliberate plan not to show up for work, for the specific purpose of abdicating the duties of their office and thwarting the chamber’s business.

That amounts to an abandonment or forfeiture of an elected state office. When the Governor calls a Special Session, our Constitution provides that the “Legislature *shall* meet.” TEX. CONST. art. III, § 5 (emphasis added). It’s not optional. It’s a duty. The absconded Democrat House members were elected to meet and vote on legislation—not to prevent votes that may not go their way. Every session, legislators *on both sides of the aisle* find themselves on the losing side of a legislative vote. And every session, most of those legislators find a way to disagree agreeably and behave like adults, rather than going AWOL.

This truancy ends now. The derelict Democrat House members must return to Texas and be in attendance when the House reconvenes at 3:00 PM on Monday, August 4, 2025. For any member who fails to do so, I will invoke Texas Attorney General Opinion No. KP-0382 to remove the missing Democrats from membership in the Texas House. In that Opinion, the Attorney General considered “whether Texas law allows for a determination that a legislator has vacated office” if they intentionally break quorum. The Attorney General concluded that “whether a specific legislator abandoned his or her office such that a vacancy occurred will be a fact question for a court.” He further concluded that “through a quo warranto action, a district court may determine that a legislator has forfeited his or her office due to abandonment and can remove the legislator from office, thereby creating a vacancy.” That empowers me to swiftly fill vacancies under Article III, Section 13 of the Texas Constitution.

In addition to abandoning their offices, these legislators may also have committed felonies. Many absentee Democrats are soliciting funds to evade the fines they will incur under House rules. Any Democrat who “solicits, accepts, or agrees to accept” such funds to assist in the violation of legislative duties or for purposes of skipping a vote may have violated bribery laws. *See* TEX. PENAL CODE § 36.02. The same could be true for any other person who “offers, confers, or agrees to confer” such funds to fleeing Democrat House members. I will use my full extradition authority to demand the return to Texas of any potential out-of-state felons.

Sincerely,


 Greg Abbott
 Governor

TAB “B”

HOUSE JOURNAL

EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, FIRST CALLED SESSION

PROCEEDINGS

FIFTH DAY — MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025

The house met at 3 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and strict enforcement was requested by Representatives Canales, Longoria, Martinez, Moody, Muñoz, and Raymond.

A quorum was not present (Record 6).

Present — Mr. Speaker(C); Alders; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bonnen; Buckley; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Canales; Capriglione; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dyson; Fairly; Frank; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Harless; Harris; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Longoria; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; Martinez; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Money; Moody; Morgan; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Phelan; Pierson; Raymond; Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Tepper; Tinderholt; Troxclair; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Wharton; Wilson.

Absent — Allen; Anchía; Bernal; Bhojani; Bowers; Bryant; Bucy; Campos; Cole; Collier; Cortez; Davis, A.; Davis, Y.; Dutton; Flores; Gámez; García, J.; García, L.; García Hernandez; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Guillen; Hernandez; Hinojosa; Howard; Johnson; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Lalani; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Martinez Fischer; Meza; Morales, C.; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Muñoz; Ordaz; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Plesa; Reynolds; Rodríguez Ramos; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Simmons; Talarico; Thompson; Toth; Turner; Vo; Walle; Ward Johnson; Wu; Zwiener.

STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 6 was taken, I was temporarily out of the house chamber and could not be shown present.

Guillen and Muñoz

When Record No. 6 was taken, my vote failed to register and I could not be shown present.

J. Lopez

When Record No. 6 was taken, I was attending to urgent family matters within my district that required my full and undivided attention. These responsibilities had been scheduled in advance and could not be postponed.

E. Morales

(Guillen and Muñoz now present)

ADDRESS BY THE SPEAKER

Speaker Burrows addressed the house, speaking as follows:

Members, the house is now in session. The roll has been called, and a quorum has not been established.

Let me begin by commending the members who did show up—those who answered the call, honored their oath, and came here ready to work for the people of Texas.

Your presence speaks volumes. You understand that the issues before us—disaster recovery, fighting for the families who lost loved ones in the floods, human trafficking, and more—are not abstract policy debates. They are real-world problems demanding immediate solutions.

But instead of confronting those challenges, some of our colleagues have fled the state and their duty.

They've left the state, abandoned their posts, and turned their backs on the constituents they swore to represent. And they've shirked their responsibilities under the direction and pressure of out-of-state politicians and activists who don't know the first thing about what's right for Texas.

To be absolutely clear: leaving the state does not stop this house from doing its work. It only delays it. And every day this chamber is unable to act, the cost grows.

In response to this dereliction of duty, and pursuant to the Rules of the House, I am prepared to recognize a motion to place a call on the house and any other motions necessary to compel the return of absent members.

Should such a motion prevail, I will immediately sign the warrants for the civil arrest of these members.

As Speaker, I will do everything in my power to establish quorum and move this body forward—by any and all means available to this office.

To those who are absent: return now. Show the courage to face the issues you were elected to solve. Come back and fulfill your duty. Because this House will not sit quietly while you obstruct the work of the people.

The people of Texas are watching, and so is the nation. And if you choose to continue down this road, you should know there will be consequences.

The invocation was offered by Ron Joy, Texas Department of Public Safety, Leander.

The chair recognized Representative Metcalf who led the house in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

CALL OF THE HOUSE ORDERED

Representative Geren moved a call of the house until consideration of **HB 4** on third reading is completed.

The motion was seconded by Representatives Curry, Frank, Barry, Morgan, McLaughlin, Button, Gerdes, Dean, Schofield, Landgraf, Tepper, Lambert, Bumgarner, Bonnen, Capriglione, Pierson, Smithee, Ashby, Patterson, Noble, Kerwin, Kitzman, Hickland, Leo Wilson, Wharton, K. Bell, Shaheen, Shofner, Troxclair, LaHood, Little, Holt, Vasut, Lowe, Hopper, Tinderholt, Schoolcraft, Richardson, Olcott, Cook, Oliverson, Harris Davila, Lujan, Cain, Luther, Orr, Slawson, Hayes, Swanson, Dorazio, Alders, Virdell, Money, Schatzline, Metcalf,

Hefner, King, Harless, Darby, McQueeney, Harrison, Isaac, Hull, Cunningham, Lozano, VanDeaver, Paul, Villalobos, Leach, Fairly, Dyson, Meyer, Wilson, C. Bell, Louderback, Buckley, Harris, Spiller, Hunter, Guillen, and J. Lopez.

The motion for a call of the house prevailed by (Record 7): 86 Yeas, 6 Nays, 0 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Mr. Speaker(C); Alders; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bonnen; Buckley; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Capriglione; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dyson; Fairly; Frank; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Money; Morgan; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Phelan; Pierson; Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Tepper; Tinderholt; Troxclair; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Wharton; Wilson.

Nays — Canales; Longoria; Martinez; Moody; Muñoz; Raymond.

Absent — Allen; Anchía; Bernal; Bhojani; Bowers; Bryant; Bucy; Campos; Cole; Collier; Cortez; Davis, A.; Davis, Y.; Dutton; Flores; Gámez; García, J.; García, L.; García Hernandez; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Hernandez; Hinojosa; Howard; Johnson; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Lalani; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Martinez Fischer; Meza; Morales, C.; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Ordaz; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Plesa; Reynolds; Rodríguez Ramos; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Simmons; Talarico; Thompson; Toth; Turner; Vo; Walle; Ward Johnson; Wu; Zwiener.

STATEMENT OF VOTE

When Record No. 7 was taken, my vote failed to register. I would have voted yes.

J. Lopez

Representative Geren moved to instruct the sergeant-at-arms, or officers appointed by her, to send for all absentees whose attendance is not excused for the purpose of securing and maintaining their attendance, under warrant of arrest if necessary, and that this order be continued beyond the adjournment of today's session and until the further order of the house.

The motion prevailed by (Record 8): 85 Yeas, 6 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Alders; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bonnen; Buckley; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Capriglione; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dyson; Fairly; Frank; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Money; Morgan; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Phelan; Pierson; Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Tepper; Tinderholt; Troxclair; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Wharton; Wilson.

Nays — Canales; Longoria; Martinez; Moody; Muñoz; Raymond.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent — Allen; Anchia; Bernal; Bhojani; Bowers; Bryant; Bucy; Campos; Cole; Collier; Cortez; Davis, A.; Davis, Y.; Dutton; Flores; Gámez; Garcia, J.; Garcia, L.; Garcia Hernandez; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Hernandez; Hinojosa; Howard; Johnson; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Lalani; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Martinez Fischer; Meza; Morales, C.; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Ordaz; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Plesa; Reynolds; Rodríguez Ramos; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Simmons; Talarico; Thompson; Toth; Turner; Vo; Walle; Ward Johnson; Wu; Zwiener.

STATEMENT OF VOTE

When Record No. 8 was taken, my vote failed to register. I would have voted yes.

J. Lopez

PERMISSION GRANTED BY SPEAKER

Pursuant to Rule 5, Section 8, of the House Rules, Speaker Burrows announced he was providing written permission, to be entered in the journal (see the addendum to the daily journal), for each representative registered as present during today's session to leave the hall of the house this day on the condition that the representative will be available for immediate return to the hall of the house at the direction of the speaker and will, in any event, return to the hall of the house at 1 p.m. Tuesday, August 5.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Geren moved that the house adjourn until 1 p.m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed.

(J. Lopez now present)

The house accordingly, at 3:08 p.m., adjourned until 1 p.m. tomorrow.

ADDENDUM

Speaker Burrows submitted the following for inclusion in the journal:

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August 4, 2025

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/s/Dustin Burrows

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committees as follows:

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Governor Abbott Orders Texas Department Of Public Safety To Arrest Delinquent House Democrats

 August 4, 2025 | Austin, Texas | [Press Release](#)

Governor Greg Abbott today ordered the arrest of delinquent Texas House Democrats.

"Texas House Democrats abandoned their duty to Texans," said Governor Abbott. "By fleeing the state, Texas House Democrats are holding hostage critical legislation to aid flood victims and advance property tax relief. There are consequences for dereliction of duty.

"Speaker Dustin Burrows just issued a call of the Texas House and issued warrants to compel members to return to the chamber. To ensure compliance, I ordered the Texas Department of Public Safety to locate, arrest, and return to the House chamber any member who has abandoned their duty to Texans. This order will remain in effect until all missing Democrat House members are accounted for and brought to the Texas Capitol."

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Document title: State Representative Ron Reynolds on X: "LIVE UPDATE: Thank you for all your support and prayers! ☐ ☐ I just landed in Chicago and am feeling FIRED UP! ☐ I'm ready to continue making some #goodtrouble and fighting for Texans! ☐ ☐ #TeamReynolds #txlege <https://t.co/1gPOigolve>" / X

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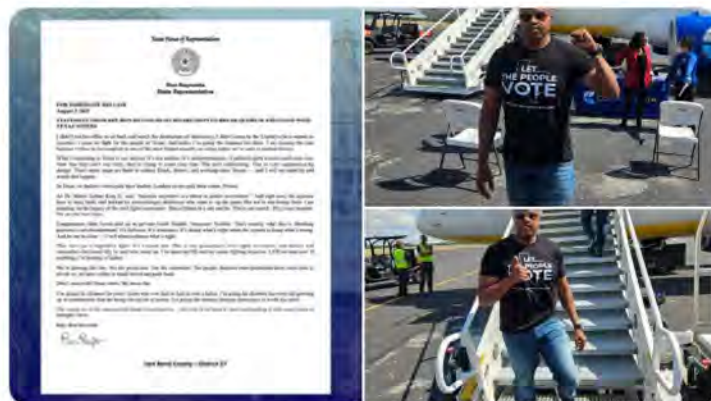
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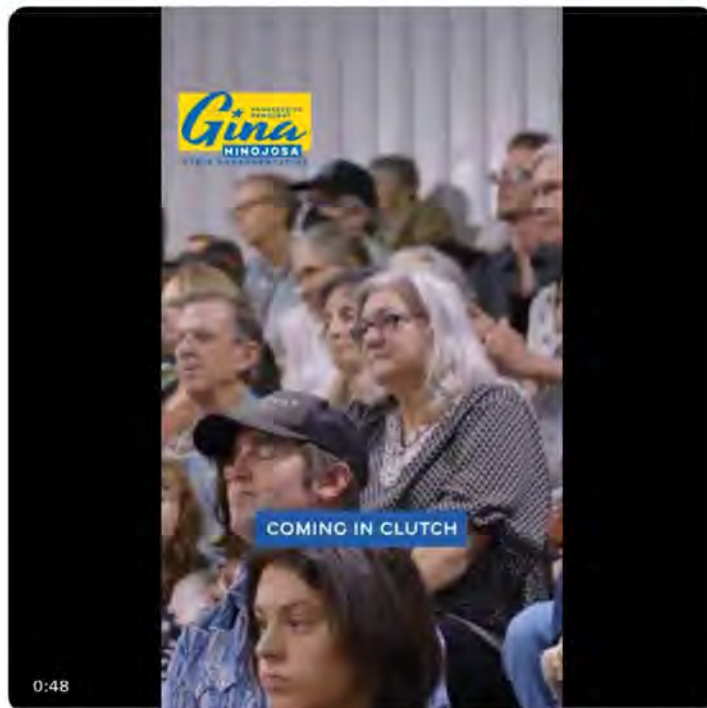
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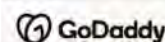
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One of the Texas lawmakers who left the state is on the line with us now. That's Democratic Texas State Representative Gina Hinojosa. She's with us now from Chicago. Good morning.

GINA HINOJOSA: Good morning.

MARTIN: Just tell us again why you and your colleagues decided to do this.

HINOJOSA: Well, we don't have the numbers to beat this effort to rig the '26 midterms in favor of five extra Republicans in the U.S. Congress because we are the minority party in Texas. But we do have the numbers to stop business on the floor of the House. And so, with our departure, that business has stopped, and the bill cannot pass. I will say, in Austin, where I represent, we have two seats in Congress. This bill would eliminate the Latino opportunity seat. Similar thing happens in Houston, which is the city with the largest



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MARTIN: So, you know, to that end, your colleague State Representative Gene Wu accused Governor Abbott of, quote, "using an intentionally racist map to steal the voices of millions of Black and Latino Texans," unquote. Do you think that's true? I mean, it's obviously partisan, but what makes it racist?

HINOJOSA: Right. The proclamation issued by the governor that authorizes the 30-day special session says specifically the reason for redistricting is a letter from the U.S. Department of Justice. Pam Bondi wrote a letter saying that specific districts would be eliminated, should be eliminated, because they are majority minority districts. So the governor's own proclamation authorizing the special session says this is about race by citing the U.S. Department of Justice letter to our governor.

MARTIN: You know, Democrats tried the same maneuver in 2003 to avoid a Republican-led redistricting plan. Republicans eventually got the new map they wanted. Then you, in 2021, organized that same effort to try to block Republicans from passing new voting restrictions, and that also failed. So what makes you think that this might be successful this time?

HINOJOSA: Let me clarify that in '21, when we broke quorum, the bill eventually passed. But we brought such attention, such a national spotlight onto what Texas Republicans were doing that they gutted their own bill. So in that way, we achieved a victory we could not have anticipated. And today, I have learned that lesson, that you do what's right for the day. You win for the day, and we don't know what tomorrow will hold. So it's a day-by-day, situational fight. And we'll play to win every day.

MARTIN: Can't the governor just call you back for another special session after this one is scheduled to end?

HINOJOSA: He does have that power, yes. And at that point, if that happens, we will have to make a decision about what's the best strategy to move forward.

MARTIN: And as you just heard, the governor suggested he could start a court process to kick you and other Democrats out of office for leaving the state. He says he can appoint your replacement. And he also suggested lawmakers who are asking for money to pay for fines may be violating a bribery law. What's your response to that?

HINOJOSA: That is disrespectful to Texans, to voters, to who they have selected to represent them. It is along the same lines of what he is trying to do by denying the voice of voters by this extreme gerrymandering, manipulating districts so as to predetermine the '26 midterms. It is undemocratic. It is anti the foundations of our country, and it is extreme and harmful to our constituents. So we will do everything in our power to fight it.



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MARTIN: Before we let you go, this session that the legislature is in right now was called to focus on redistricting. But it also is about the July 4 floods. It's about bathrooms for transgender residents, among other matters. What about those priorities?

HINOJOSA: Well, the floods definitely should be a priority, but Republicans are not serious about addressing those priorities. We have had only two hearings on the floods that killed over 135 Texans. We've had seven or eight hearings on redistricting. So we understood that the agenda was about playing politics, and we didn't want to participate in that. So the governor can issue flood relief on his own. He has that power. He's demonstrated that kind of power in the past for other priorities of his. And we won't let him use Texans and use this tragedy to take away the voice of our voters.

MARTIN: That's Gina Hinojosa. She's a Democrat who represents Texas' 49th district in the state's House of Representatives. Representative Hinojosa, thanks for your time.

HINOJOSA: Thank you.

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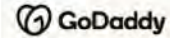
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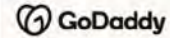
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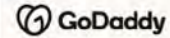
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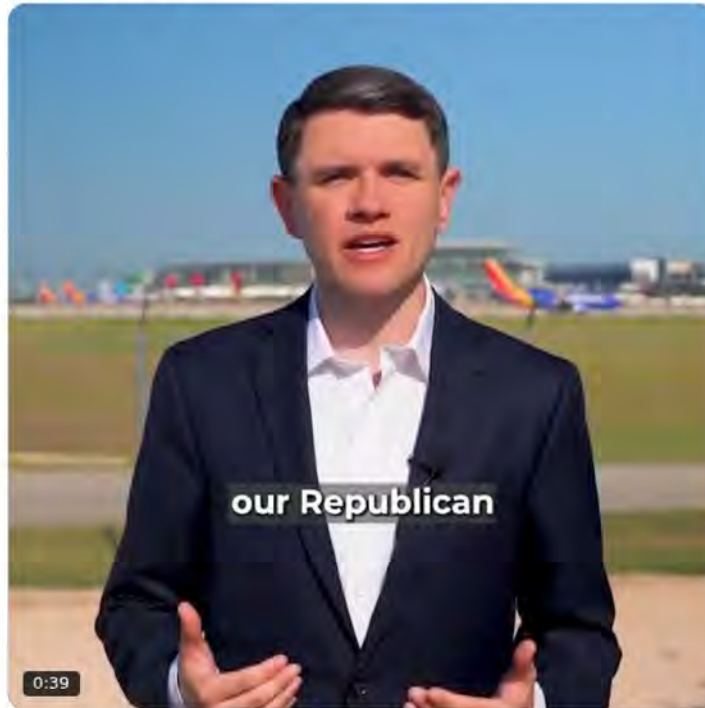
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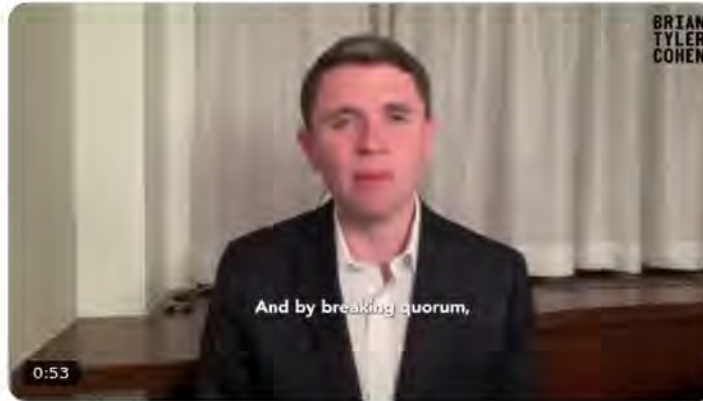
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It's a cost to all of us - a financial, a professional, a political, a personal cost to do something like this. But we all feel so strongly that this power grab is so brazen, so egregious, so dangerous for the future of our republic that we had no other choice but to make this stand."



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Texas State Rep. Talarico: We're breaking quorum because this is different. Trump has asked Texas Republicans to redraw the Texas maps to get him 5 more seats. They're doing it in the middle of the decade. This is like 2 teams coming out of the locker room at halftime and the team that's ahead saying they want to change the rules in the second half to make sure they win. If they're gonna cheat, we're not gonna play

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It's been a month since the devastating floods in Central Texas—where children died. That should be our focus. Instead, the first bill scheduled in the Texas House is a redistricting map for Trump, not Texans.

I refuse to let Trump dictate who represents Texas. I represent the people of House District 70—not Washington, not party bosses, and definitely not Donald Trump.

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Donald Trump.

Texans came to the Capitol in busloads. They testified for hours. They asked to be heard. Republicans ignored them.

It's been a month since the devastating floods in Central Texas—where children died. That should be our focus. Instead, the first bill scheduled in the Texas House is a redistricting map for Trump, not Texans.

I refuse to let Trump dictate who represents Texas. I represent the people of House District 70—not Washington, not party bosses, and definitely not Donald Trump.

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At a time when communities in Texas are still recovering from devastating floods, our state's Republican leadership is prioritizing power grabs over people. They are pushing through maps to satisfy political demands, not public input.

This is a pivotal moment. What happens in Texas won't stop at our borders. I remain committed to fighting for transparency, fairness, and democracy for every Texan and every American.
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Chris Turner
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Rep. Chris Turner's statement on today's quorum break. #txlege

Today, I joined my Democratic colleagues to take an extraordinary legislative action. We left the state of Texas and are breaking quorum — denying Republicans the ability to pass the outrageous and discriminatory Congressional map demanded by Donald Trump.

I do not take breaking quorum lightly, but in this case I believe that doing so is the only way I can fulfill the role I was elected by the people of HD 101 to do.

As an elected official, it is my solemn duty to protect the voices and rights of Texas voters. I will not stand by and let Donald Trump circumvent democracy and erase the voting power of minority Texans, all to protect Republicans from facing the electoral consequences of the disastrous policies and damage to this country that Trump and his enablers have inflicted.

Chris Turner

Texas State Representative, District 101
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@jessicafortexas

My Democratic colleagues and I are denying quorum to stop Abbott and Trump's plans to bring fascism to our beloved state.

Abbott used the devastation of the July 4th floods as a backdrop for his political theatre, and while feigning concern for victims, announced the most extreme special session agenda in Texas history. Texas Republicans used the deaths of 130 innocent Texans to do Trump's bidding.

I refuse to further participate in this sham of a special session.
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HEARINGS CALLED BY TX REPUBLICANS FLOODS VS. MAPS

7/23 - Joint Flood Hearing*

7/31 - Joint Hearing in Kerrville

*No public testimony allowed, only invited speakers

7/24 - House Hearing, No Map

7/25 - Senate Hearing, No Map

7/26 - House Hearing, No Map

7/26 - Senate Hearing, No Map

7/28 - House Hearing, No Map

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8/1 - House Hearing, HB 4 Map

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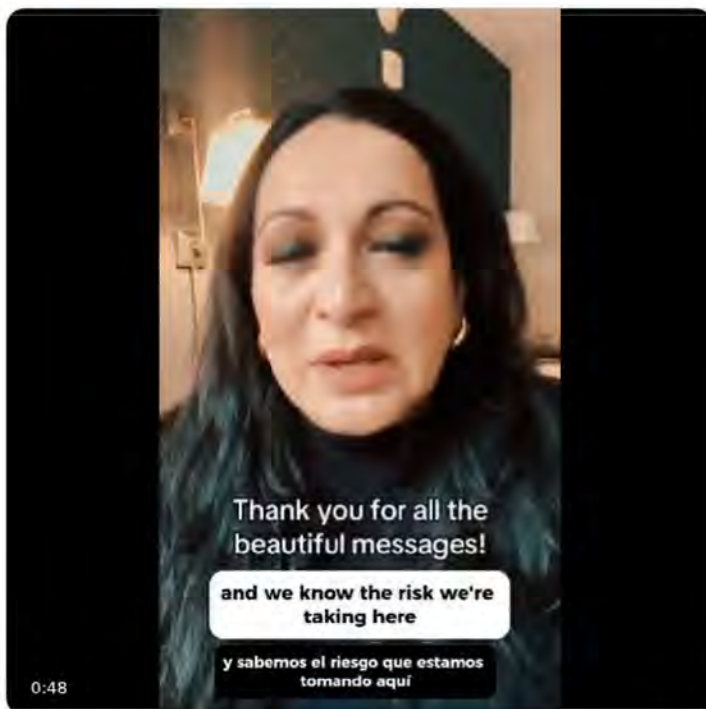
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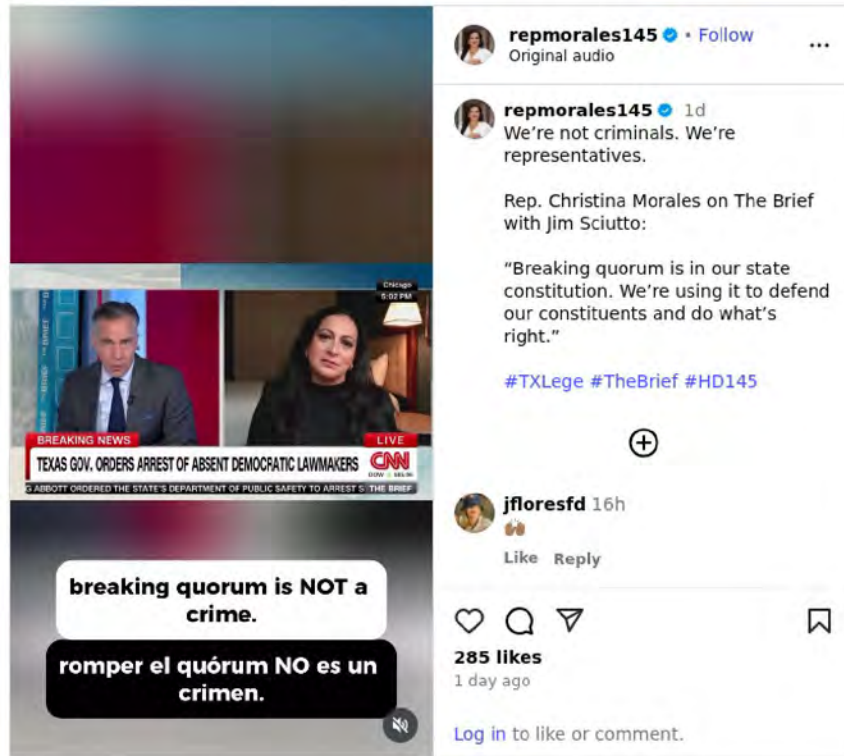
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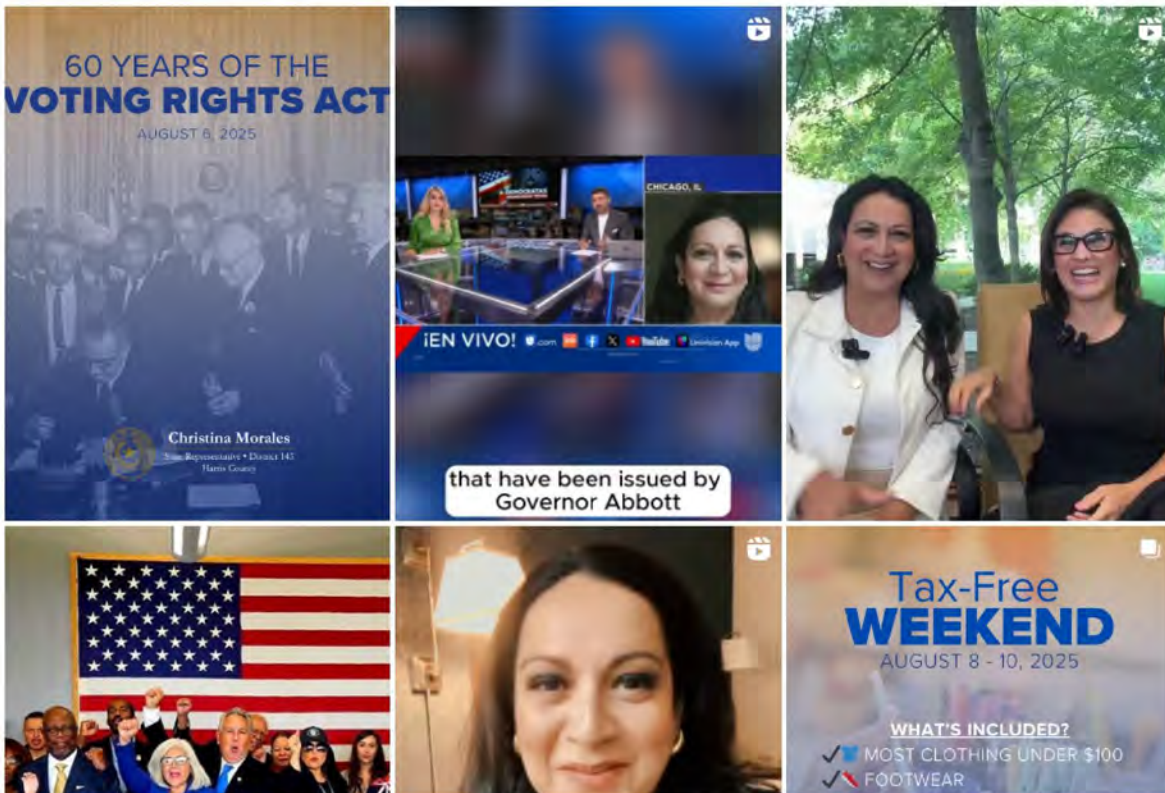
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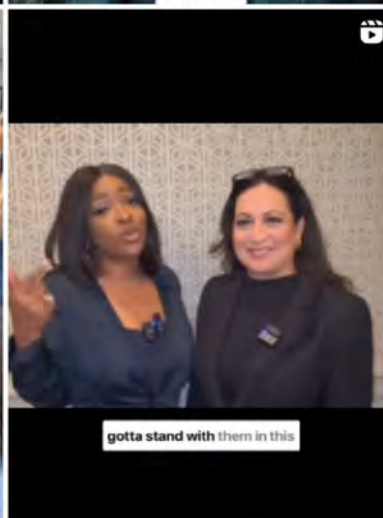
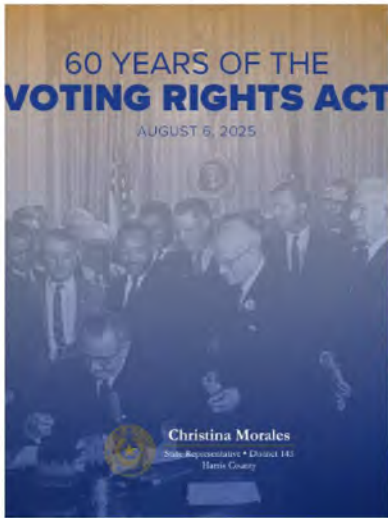
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Attorney General Ken Paxton Will Seek Judicial Orders Declaring that Runaway Democrats Who Abandon Their Legislative Duties Vacated Their Office

Attorney General Ken Paxton has announced that the continued refusal to perform legislative duties by Texas House Democrats who broke quorum constitutes abandonment of office and that he will pursue a court ruling ensuring that their seats are declared vacant.

Speaker of the Texas House Dustin Burrows has given members until Friday, August 8, to return to Texas and present themselves before the House. Any lawmaker who has not been arrested and returned or fails to appear by the Speaker's deadline will be subject to aggressive legal action by Attorney General Paxton.

"Democrats have abandoned their offices by fleeing Texas, and a failure to respond to a call of the House constitutes a dereliction of their duty as elected officials," said Attorney General Paxton. "Starting Friday, any rogue lawmakers refusing to return to the House will be held accountable for vacating their office. The people of Texas elected lawmakers, not jet-setting runaways looking for headlines. If you don't show up to work, you get fired."

Rulings issued by the Supreme Court of Texas do not allow the minority faction in the legislature to improperly interfere with the legislative majority's prerogative to conduct business. By removing themselves from the State for the explicit purpose of interfering with the proceedings of the Texas Legislature, Democrats are refusing to perform their duties in a manner that amounts to abandonment of office. If the runaway members of the legislative minority do not return to the House and resume performance of their duties by the deadline, Attorney General Paxton will seek judicial relief confirming that their office is vacant.

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July 9, 2025

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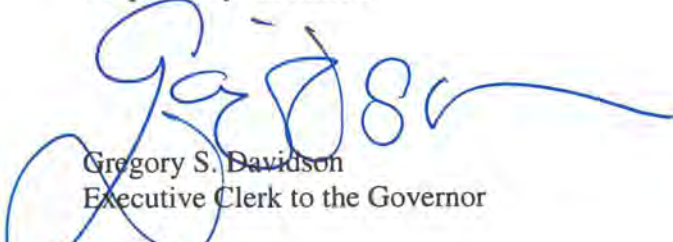
Dear Mr. Bitter:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation calling an extraordinary session of the 89th Legislature, to convene in the City of Austin, at noon on Monday, July 21, 2025.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
GSD/gsd

Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article III, Sections 5(a) and 40, and Article IV, Section 8(a) of the Texas Constitution, do hereby call a Special Session of the 89th Legislature, to convene in the City of Austin, commencing at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, July 21, 2025, to consider and act upon the following:

Legislation to improve early warning systems and other preparedness infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas.

Legislation to strengthen emergency communications and other response infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas.

Legislation to provide relief funding for response to and recovery from the storms which began in early July 2025, including local match funding for jurisdictions eligible for FEMA public assistance.

Legislation to evaluate and streamline rules and regulations to speed preparedness for and recovery from natural disasters.

Legislation to eliminate the STAAR test and replace it with effective tools to assess student progress and ensure school district accountability.

Legislation reducing the property tax burden on Texans and legislation imposing spending limits on entities authorized to impose property taxes.

Legislation making it a crime to provide hemp-derived products to children under 21 years of age.

Legislation to comprehensively regulate hemp-derived products, including limiting potency, restricting synthetically modified compounds, and establishing enforcement mechanisms, all without banning a lawful agricultural commodity.

Legislation further protecting unborn children and their mothers from the harm of abortion.

Legislation prohibiting taxpayer-funded lobbying, including the use of tax dollars to hire lobbyists and payment of tax dollars to associations that lobby the Legislature.

Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 1278 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that protects victims of human trafficking from criminal liability for non-violent acts closely tied to their own victimization.

Legislation that protects law enforcement officers from public disclosure of unsubstantiated complaints in personnel files.

Legislation protecting women's privacy in sex-segregated spaces.

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Legislation proposing a constitutional amendment allowing the Attorney General to prosecute state election crimes.

Legislation that provides a revised congressional redistricting plan in light of constitutional concerns raised by the U.S. Department of Justice.

Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 648 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that provides strengthened protections against title theft and deed fraud.

Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 1253 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that authorizes political subdivisions to reduce impact fees for builders who include water conservation and efficiency measures.

Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 2878 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, relating to the operation and administration of the Judicial Department of state government.

The Secretary of State will take notice of this action and will notify the members of the legislature of my action.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I
have hereunto signed my name and
have officially caused the Seal of
State to be affixed at my office in the
City of Austin, Texas, this the 9th
day of July, 2025.


GREG ABBOTT
Governor

Attested by:


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