



Texas House of Representatives

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DISTRICT 35

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SPEAKER PHELAN ANNOUNCES CREATION OF HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY AND ENRICHMENT

REPRESENTATIVE LONGORIA APPOINTED TO SERVE ON SELECT COMMITTEE

AUSTIN, TX - Today, Representative Oscar Longoria (D-Mission) was appointed to the newly created House Select Committee on Educational Opportunity and Enrichment by Texas Speaker of the House Dade Phelan.

The Select Committee is tasked with considering issues and matters that broadly affect educational opportunities for K-12 students in Texas, as well as making recommendations for ensuring that all Texas youths enjoy equal educational opportunity and the freedom to obtain a quality education regardless of circumstances, improving outcomes for Texas public school students and meaningfully supporting educators and educational institutions, and modernizing assessment and accountability measures for Texas schools educating K-12 students.

"I'm humbled to be appointed to the House Select Committee on Educational Opportunity and Enrichment by Speaker Phelan," said Representative Longoria. "I look forward to working alongside my colleagues to represent the interests of all students, families, and educators across Texas."

The fifteen member Select Committee is also required to produce a report no later than August 11, 2023 to be submitted to the Legislature. This report must include, but is not limited to, identification of the current menu of choices available to K-12 students in Texas and highlighting options for providing additional educational opportunities to K-12 students. The Select Committee will expire when the 89th Legislature convenes in 2025.

Representative Longoria had already been appointed to the House Committee on Public Education during the 88th Legislative Session by Speaker Phelan, and his appointment to this Select Committee continues his record and dedication to serving the educational interests of House District 35 and the Rio Grande Valley.

"Education is the great equalizer," said Representative Longoria, "and I thank Speaker Phelan for the opportunity to be a voice for students across the entire state."

Representative Oscar Longoria proudly represents House District 35, which encompasses both Hidalgo and Cameron Counties and the cities and towns of: La Joya, Sullivan City, Peñitas, Palmview, Palmhurst, Alton, Mission, McAllen, Edinburg, Linn, Hargill, Monte Alto, Edcouch, La Villa, Weslaco, Donna, Mercedes, Santa Rosa, La Feria, Santa Maria, Primera, Los Indios, Olmito, Rangerville, Bluetown, San Benito, and Brownsville.

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