

**TEXAS** - Texas is in special session and we are trying to pass 20 pieces of legislation in 30 days. Below are some quotes from Texas Eagle Forum that went out from the Governor's office press releases on several of the bills.



Last Friday was the hearing for the bill, SB 4, prohibiting taxpayers funding for abortion providers and also for SB3 The Texas Privacy act. When we were called up to testify on the Privacy Act legislation, it actually happened that the two other women I work as the "Mom Caucus" were at the table with me along with Pastor Dave Welch, one of the Houston Five pastors that had their sermons and private emails, texts etc. subpoenaed

by the Mayor surrounding the Houston Bathroom Ordinances. The other young man that joined us to testify was one of our Mom Caucus member's son. He spoke from a millennial's perspective on the privacy issue and did a magnificent job, especially since he decided that very morning to testify. When we exited the hearing, we were all caught by reporters and spent a good half hour sharing our side to this debate and so far, the reporting has been fair and accurate. I usually run from the media but God really opened a door for us to share truth and bring clarity to the misinformation campaign being waged on this legislation. I pray, we all pray, that we will see a shift in the House on this and other very critical issues this special session, the obstructionists in the House need to answer to the people not their own agendas.

### **#1 Prohibiting Taxpayer Funding of Abortion Providers**

"Taxpayers in Texas should not be funding abortion providers at the federal, state or local level. The Texas Legislature has the ability to eliminate all public funding for elective abortions. When it comes to women's health, Texas offers over 5,000 providers through the Healthy Texas Women program whereby a woman needing preventative care, prenatal care etc. can receive these services. This is a sound solution for those women in need and for pre-born women as well." - Trayce Bradford, President, Texas Eagle Forum

### **#2 Property Tax Reform Legislation**

"Property Tax Reform must be done with expediency and purpose. Although we prefer property taxes to be abolished, a meaningful interim solution is to use the buyer's original price of the property as the assessed value that is taxable. So, come on all you conservative, principled lawmakers, 'Get 'er done!'" - Trayce Bradford, President, Texas Eagle Forum

### **#3 Restricting Municipal Annexation**

"It is shocking to see Texas as one of the few remaining states that still permits forced municipal annexation. Our very independence is rooted in the foundational principles of property

ownership and free enterprise. We must protect these values diligently. Property owners should have a say if they are willing to be annexed or not. Furthermore, property owners must be compensated fairly when the government annexes their land. and certainly not annexed for what their land can offer the government without receiving the benefit of electing said government. We expect the Legislature to address these concerns along with several other property issues this session and anticipate results, not rhetoric.” - Trayce Bradford, President, Texas Eagle Forum

Thank you all for staying informed and helping get meaningful legislation passed during this important special session.

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