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## **Texas PTA Throws Support Behind House Bill 3**

Austin, Texas – It was a bright day today for Texas schools and our students. After years of talking about school finance reform in the Texas Legislature, but making no headway, Chairman Dan Huberty of the House Committee on Public Education, with strong support and leadership from House Speaker Dennis Bonnen, filed House Bill 3, which increases funding for all schools and would make significant changes to the way schools are funded.

Texas PTA is excited to support House Bill 3. This legislation reinvests in Texas students - increasing the Basic Allotment significantly, sending additional funding to schools with high concentrations of underserved students to help schools address the needs of those students. It also funds full-day pre-kindergarten for students who are economically disadvantaged.

"Only one week ago, nearly 2,500 PTA volunteers and students from across the state gathered in Austin for Texas PTA Rally Day to let their voices be heard at the Capitol. House Bill 3 is a great example of why PTA makes a difference," says Texas PTA President Sheri Doss. "I could not be prouder of the work our volunteers are doing for Texas public school students!"

Texas PTA looks forward to working with Chairman Huberty and the 90+ members of the Texas House who have signed on to this bill.



