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House of Representatives



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Dear Friend:

I would like to thank each of you who contacted me after reading the newsletter last week. I appreciate your input. Please continue to contact me regarding any issue or concern you have.

Pro-Life Legislation

This week I became a Joint-Author of HB 816. This important piece of legislation will opt abortion out of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), otherwise known as Obamacare. Of course I fully support the Attorney General's challenges to the constitutionality of Obamacare and I am doing everything in my power to see that the bill is repealed but on an issue this important, I feel it is important to be proactive. The bill takes advantage of a loophole in the federal legislation

According to Obamacare, each state must establish a state exchange through which insurance is offered to citizens and employers; these exchanges will fund abortion and abortion services. However, the PPACA includes a loophole, allowing states to pass legislation opting them out of exchange plans that pay for abortions.

Five other states have passed laws that allow their state health insurance exchanges to specifically exclude coverage for abortion from the recently passed federal legislation. I will work hard to ensure Texas is the sixth state to take a stand.

Visits From Home



I am so pleased to have had the opportunity to meet with architects from the district to discuss their legislative concerns for this upcoming session including promoting quality-based bid selections and high-performance buildings. Pictured are Lisa Keith, Mark Wolf and Mary Hatch, all of Richardson.

Sincerely,

Angie Chen Button

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