

## **COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

On Wednesday, February 4th, Speaker Joe Straus announced committee appointments for the 84th Legislative Session. Representative Muñoz was appointed as Vice-Chair of the House Insurance Committee and re-appointed to the powerful Appropriations Committee and the Local & Consent Calendar Committee. "I am honored and grateful to be re-appointed to these very important committees by Speaker Joe Straus. I fully intend to represent your interests as I serve on these committees. I thank Speaker Straus for entrusting me with these assignments and for placing me in a position to better serve Texas," said Rep. Muñoz.



Appropriations Committee - Jurisdiction over all bills and resolutions appropriating money from the state treasury, allowing Rep. Muñoz to influence every aspect of the budgeting process for the State.

**Insurance Committee** - Jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to insurance and the insurance industry, as well as the following state agencies: the Texas Department of Insurance, the Texas Health Benefits Purchasing Cooperative, and the Office of Public Insurance Counsel.

Local & Consent Calendar Committee - Jurisdiction over the flow of legislation to the House floor for bills that are local in character or uncontested; the appointment will endow Rep. Muñoz with the power to impact a myriad of bills important to local communities.

## LEGISLATION UPDATE

HR 199 On Tuesday, January 27th Representative Muñoz recognized Mission ISD School Board Members in the House of Representatives Chamber in honor of School Board Recognition Month.

HB 813 Allows motorcycles to split lanes during periods of traffic congestion.

HB 1135 Allots funding to provide transportation of dual enrollment students from one campus to another.

HB 753 Officially sets the name of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley in statute.

HB 1202 Creates a state advisory council for all community nutrition programs administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).





Mission ISD School Board: Ricardo Lopez, Veronica Mendoza, Rep. Muñoz, Patricia O'Caña-Olivarez, Petra Ramirez and Patty Bazaldua.

## DISTRICT 36 HIGHLIGHTS



Thousands gathered in Mission to take part in the 78th Annual Texas Citrus Fiesta Parade in Mission. The theme this year: Old Time Rock 'n Roll.



South Texas College administrators and students visited Rep. Muñoz at the Texas Capitol to present their agenda for this legislative session.

