



Dear Friends,

Happy Easter friends! After a very long day on the House Floor yesterday, I'm excited to head home to my family and enjoy a long weekend celebrating my son's 15<sup>th</sup> birthday and Easter.

### **TEXAS HOUSE PASSES THE BIENNIAL STATE BUDGET**

Last night after nearly 12 hours on the House floor, the Texas legislature passed the House budget, [HB 1](#), along with the supplemental budget, [SB 30](#). Together, these bills, while staying under the constitutional spending limits, will provide much-needed property tax relief, border security, school safety, infrastructure and more.

#### **Highlights:**

- \$17.3 billion towards property tax relief
- \$60.3 billion towards education
- \$4.6 billion for border security
- \$3.5 billion for teacher retirement
- \$1.6 billion for school safety

Additionally, I was proud to author an amendment to SB 30 to secure an additional \$25 million towards the Alternatives to Abortion program aimed at helping pregnant women and mothers find the resources and tools they need such as counseling, employment readiness, housing and support services, and assistance getting diapers, car seats and more.



## **CONSERVATIVE BILLS ON THE MOVE**

This week we passed out of committee my bill, [HB 200](#), aimed at reining in radical and rogue prosecutors in Texas. With everything we've seen in the news lately and over the last couple of years, I have become increasingly concerned with seeing our judicial system both weaponized for political gain or outright incompetence with some prosecutors across the state. HB 200 will protect prosecutorial discretion while providing a framework for addressing misconduct and providing an avenue for their removal. I look forward to passing this bill on the House floor.

We also passed [House Bill 4](#) this week, The Data Privacy Act. This bill is essential to regulate the collection, use, processing and treatment of our data by businesses. It will also create new rights, safety, and security for Texans online. This bill passed out of the House unanimously and is headed to the Senate.

## **NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

### **Floor Schedule:**

- Monday: Convene at 2pm
- Tuesday: Convene at 10am
- Wednesday: Convene at 10am
- Thursday: Convene at 9am

### **Rep Leach Authored Bill Hearings**

**April 10**

[HB 3186](#)

**April 11**

[HB 3502](#) [HB 4622](#)

**April 12**

[HB 1734](#) [HB 1744](#) [HB 1610](#) [HB 1738](#) [HB 3168](#) [HB 3170](#) [HB 3200](#) [HB 3481](#) [HB 4272](#) [HB 4595](#)

**On the House Floor**

[HB 1748](#) – April 10

Happy Easter friends!



All My Best,

Handwritten signature of Jeff Leach.

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