SPEAK UP! YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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ABOUT LIVE SMART TEXAS



Live Smart Texas is a coalition of organizations and individuals who work together to address the state's obesity epidemic, especially in children.

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86th Regular Session



Overview of Texas Legislature & Political Climate School Finance School Safety Property Tax Hurricane Harvey

60 Days left – Adjourn May 27 7,085 bills filed by March (4,641-H/2,444-S) HB 1 - \$250B Budget on the House Floor – Wednesday HB 3/SB 3 – School Finance/Teacher Pay Raise Pre-K – Full Day Funding Numerous School Safety/Behavioral Health Proposals

Children's Health Legislative Proposals

Legislation to Support

- Tobacco 21
- Recess
- Child Care Standards
- Health Food Financing
- SNAP Incentives
- Fitnessgram Report
- Health Food/Corner Store
- Certification of PE Instructors

HB 749 (Zerwas)/SB 21 (Huffman)

- HB 455 (Allen)/SB 364 (Watson)
- HB 1808 (Lucio)/SB 952 (Watson)
- HB 1252 (Rodriguez)
 - HB 3541 (Rose)/SB 1834 (Alvarado)
 - HB 128 (Hinojosa)
- HB 605 (Thierry)/SB 574 (Miles)
 - Budget Rider

Children's Health Legislative Proposals

Legislation to Monitor

- Mental Health in Schools/SHACs HB 1069(Price)/SB 913(Watson)
- Adding Nutritionist to SHACs
- Suicide Prevention/SHACS
- SHACS Open Mtgs
- Human Sexuality SHACS
- Food Marketing/Unhealthy Food

SB 427 (Lucio)

SB 4193(Allison)/SB 1390(Menendez)

SB 1854 (Paxton)

HB 1012 (Bohac)

SB 1556 (Lucio)

Children's Health Legislative Proposals

Legislation to Oppose

• Repeal of Fitnessgram

SB 1376(Paxton)/HB 3638 (Patterson)

- Repeal of SHACs/CPR/Fitnessgram SB 377(Hall)
- SHACs optional

SB 441 (Campbell)

Partner Resources

Texas Public Health Coalition

www.texmed.org/publichealthcoalition

Texas Tobacco 21 Coalition

www.texas21.org

Partnership for a Healthy Texas

www.partnershipforahealthytexas.org

Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living

https://sph.uth.edu/research/centers/dell/texas-child-health-status-report/index.htm

Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living – Legislative Tracker

https://sph.uth.edu/research/centers/dell/86th-texas-legislature/

How You Can Help!

- Find out who represents you? http://www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us/Home.aspx
- Get to know your lawmakers: subscribe to your lawmakers newsletters, attend town halls.
- Social Media & Lobby Days
- Coalition Mtgs
- Cards/Testimony
- Watch your email box.
- Tell your friends & family.



Questions?

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