

TARRANT COUNTY LEGISLATIVE ALERT CONSERVATIVE INDEX FOR TEXAS HOUSE 2010/2011

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN APPOINTMENTS VS THEIR RELATIVE CONSERVATIV
2010 2011
(Now Seven) Consv Texan Allians Young Eagle Index
2008 "Elite Eleven" Dist Index Fiscal Herit Consv Forum CC Consv
2010 Avg - 61% Respo Econ of Tex
2011 Avg - 64%

| | Dist | 2010 Consv Index | Texan Fiscal Respo | Allians Herit Econ | Young Consv of Tex | Eagle Forum | 2011 Index Consv | | |
|--------------------------|------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| 1 Ken Paxton | 70 | 94 | 100 | 100 | 95 | 96 | 98 | Top 18 of 19 Conservatives were ignored with no Chairmanships!! | |
| 2 Tan Parker | 63 | 89 | 98 | 100 | 80 | 96 | 94 | | |
| 3 Jodie Laubenberg | 89 | 94 | 93 | 100 | 84 | 96 | 93 | | |
| 4 Wayne Christian | 9 | 92 | 88 | 91 | 93 | 100 | 93 | | |
| 5 Dan Flynn | 2 | 91 | 95 | 82 | 92 | 96 | 91 | | |
| 6 Jim Landtroop | 85 | | 93 | 91 | 84 | 92 | 90 | | |
| 7 Bill Zedler- 2007/2008 | 98 | 89 | 90 | 91 | 84 | 96 | 90 | | |
| 8 Erwin Cain | 3 | | 93 | 82 | 89 | 96 | 90 | | |
| 9 Phil King | 61 | 79 | 88 | 91 | 82 | 96 | 89 | | |
| 10 James White | 12 | | 90 | 91 | 82 | 92 | 89 | | |
| 11 David Simpson | 7 | | 88 | 91 | 91 | 87 | 89 | | |
| 12 Charles Perry | 83 | | 90 | 91 | 80 | 92 | 88 | | |
| 13 Bryan Hughes | 5 | 74 | 88 | 91 | 89 | 84 | 88 | | |
| 14 Van Taylor | 66 | | 85 | 91 | 80 | 92 | 87 | | |
| 15 Cindy Burkett | 101 | | 78 | 82 | 75 | 88 | 81 | | |
| 16 Leo Berman | 6 | 79 | 80 | 73 | 82 | 88 | 81 | | |
| 17 Jason Issac | 45 | | 93 | 82 | 75 | 69 | 80 | | |
| 18 Brandon Creighton | 16 | 77 | 90 | 100 | 83 | 44 | X 79 | | Select Comm on Sovereignty |
| 19 Larry Phillips | 62 | 88 | 88 | 100 | 82 | 39 | X 77 | | Transportation |
| 20 Randy Weber | 29 | 94 | 90 | 100 | 88 | 48 | 76 | | |
| 21 Rodney Anderson | 106 | | 90 | 100 | 71 | 44 | 76 | | |
| 22 Kelly Hancock | 91 | 81 | 76 | 100 | 80 | 48 | 76 | | |
| 23 Jerry Madden | 67 | 73 | 76 | 100 | 77 | 44 | X 74 | Corrections | |
| 24 Paul Workman | 47 | | 83 | 91 | 76 | 40 | 73 | | |
| 25 Sid Miller | 59 | 81 | 90 | 82 | 79 | 40 | X 73 | Home Security & Public Safety | |
| 26 Rob Orr | 58 | 69 | 80 | 91 | 80 | 40 | 73 | | |
| 27 Charley Howard | 26 | 86 | 73 | 100 | 71 | 44 | 72 | | |
| 28 Marva Beck | 57 | | 76 | 100 | 71 | 40 | 72 | | |
| 29 John Frullo | 84 | | 78 | 91 | 74 | 46 | 72 | | |
| 30 Charles Anderson | 56 | 90 | 76 | 91 | 73 | 48 | 72 | | |
| 31 Debbie Riddle | 150 | 88 | 78 | 91 | 79 | 44 | 72 | | |
| 32 Allen Fletcher | 130 | 84 | 80 | 82 | 80 | 44 | 72 | | |
| 33 Ken Legler | 144 | 91 | 80 | 82 | 80 | 44 | 72 | | |
| 34 Joe Driver | 113 | 63 | 68 | 100 | 67 | 48 | 71 | | |
| 35 Ralph Sheffield | 55 | 86 | 80 | 91 | 71 | 40 | 71 | | |
| 36 Charles Schwertner | 20 | | 71 | 91 | 77 | 44 | 71 | | |
| 37 George Lavender | 1 | | 73 | 82 | 79 | 48 | 71 | | |
| 38 Dennis Bonnen | 25 | 80 | 83 | 78 | 81 | 43 | X 71 | Select Comm Voter ID & Fraud | |
| 39 Lance Gooden | 4 | | 66 | 100 | 71 | 44 | 70 | | |
| 40 Tryon Lewis | 81 | 75 | 71 | 91 | 64 | 48 | 69 | | |
| 41 Gary Elkins | 135 | 79 | 80 | 82 | 79 | 36 | 69 | | |
| 42 Tom Craddick | 82 | 81 | 78 | 91 | 64 | 40 | 68 | | |
| 43 Kenneth Sheets | 107 | | 85 | 82 | 70 | 36 | 68 | | |
| 44 Todd Hunter | 32 | 60 | 71 | 91 | 69 | 40 | X 68 | Calendars | |
| 45 Warren Chisum | 88 | 77 | 68 | 91 | 71 | 42 | 68 | | |
| 46 Jose Aliseda | 35 | | 78 | 82 | 73 | 40 | 68 | | |
| 47 Larry Taylor | 24 | 79 | 80 | 80 | 71 | 40 | X 68 | Elections | |
| 48 Geanie Morrison | 30 | 69 | 78 | 82 | 68 | 42 | 68 | | |
| 49 Dan Huberty | 127 | | 73 | 82 | 73 | 44 | 68 | | |
| 50 John Otto | 18 | 60 | 68 | 82 | 71 | 28 | 68 | | |
| 51 Linda Harper-Brown | 105 | 86 | 80 | 78 | 67 | 43 | 67 | | |
| 52 Tim Kleinschmidt | 17 | 81 | 66 | 91 | 71 | 40 | 67 | | |
| 53 Jim Keffer | 60 | 55 | 76 | 82 | 72 | 37 | X 67 | Energy Resources in 68th ranking | |
| 54 John Garza | 117 | | 80 | 73 | 73 | 40 | 67 | | |
| 55 Burt Solomons | 65 | 66 | 85 | 73 | 76 | 33 | X 67 | Redistricting in 45th ranking??? | |
| 56 Sarah Davis | 134 | | 68 | 100 | 61 | 36 | 66 | | |
| 57 Angie Chen Button | 112 | 77 | 76 | 82 | 66 | 40 | 66 | | |
| 58 Jim Murphy | 133 | | 76 | 82 | 70 | 36 | 66 | | |
| 59 Four Price | 87 | | 63 | 82 | 70 | 48 | 66 | | |
| 60 Stefani Carter | 102 | | 80 | 73 | 73 | 36 | 66 | | |
| 61 Charlie Geren | 99 | 64 | 71 | 82 | 73 | 37 | X 66 | House Administration | |
| 62 Connie Scott | 34 | | 68 | 91 | 70 | 36 | 66 | | |
| 63 John Kuempel | 44 | | 68 | 91 | 67 | 33 | 65 | | |
| 64 Wayne Smith | 128 | 74 | 61 | 91 | 66 | 40 | X 65 | Environmental Regulation | |
| 65 Dan Branch | 108 | 71 | 78 | 80 | 67 | 30 | X 64 | Higher Education | |
| 66 Doug Miller | 73 | 75 | 71 | 82 | 67 | 36 | 64 | | |
| 67 Jim Jackson | 115 | 50 | 66 | 82 | 71 | 36 | X 64 | Judicial& Cival Juriprudence: | |
| 68 Rob Eissler | 15 | 69 | 61 | 91 | 64 | 36 | X 63 | Public Education | |
| 69 Rick Hardcastle | 68 | 66 | 61 | 91 | 64 | 36 | X 63 | Agriculture & Livestock | |
| 70 Lyle Larson | 122 | | 61 | 82 | 71 | 36 | 63 | | |

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|-----|---------------------------|-----|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|--|
| 71 | Lois Kolkhorst | 13 | 74 | 78 | 55 | 73 | 44 | X | 63 | Public Health |
| 72 | John Zerwas | 28 | 68 | 81 | 70 | 60 | 36 | | 62 | |
| 73 | Larry Gonzales | 52 | | 56 | 91 | 66 | 36 | | 62 | |
| 74 | Dwayne Bohac | 138 | 57 | 78 | 73 | 63 | 33 | | 62 | |
| 75 | Byron Cook | 8 | 69 | 56 | 82 | 64 | 40 | X | 61 | State Affairs |
| 76 | Barbara Nash | 93 | | 63 | 73 | 70 | 36 | | 61 | |
| 77 | Harvey Hilderbran | 53 | 69 | 78 | 55 | 75 | 36 | X | 61 | Ways & Means |
| 78 | Mike Hamilton | 19 | 61 | 73 | 73 | 63 | 32 | X | 60 | License & Admin Procedures |
| 79 | Todd Smith | 92 | 59 | 73 | 73 | 61 | 32 | | 60 | |
| 80 | Raul Torres | 33 | | 68 | 64 | 64 | 36 | | 59 | |
| 81 | Myra Crownover | 54 | 72 | 63 | 73 | 66 | 33 | | 59 | |
| 82 | Jim Pitts | 10 | 44 | 61 | 73 | 62 | 36 | X | 58 | Appropriations - Consv Index 46% ??? |
| 83 | Jimmie Don Aycocock | 54 | 85 | 73 | 64 | 64 | 32 | | 58 | |
| 84 | Bill Calligari re-elected | 132 | 79 | 80 | 55 | 65 | 32 | X | 58 | Gov't Efficiency & Reform |
| 85 | Mark Shelton | 97 | 72 | 66 | 64 | 68 | 32 | | 58 | |
| 86 | Susan King | 71 | 47 | 55 | 82 | 63 | 29 | | 57 | |
| 87 | Diane Patrick | 94 | 60 | 59 | 73 | 63 | 32 | | 57 | |
| 88 | Patricia Harless | 126 | 69 | 68 | 73 | 64 | 24 | | 57 | |
| 89 | Lanham Lyne | 69 | | 63 | 64 | 63 | 36 | | 57 | |
| 90 | John Smithee | 86 | 73 | 61 | 64 | 67 | 36 | X | 57 | Insurance |
| 91 | Beverly Woolley | 136 | 73 | 68 | 73 | 54 | 30 | | 56 | |
| 92 | Vicki Truitt | 98 | 69 | 68 | 73 | 63 | 26 | X | 56 | Pensions, Invest-Finan Serv |
| 93 | Fred Brown | 14 | 80 | 59 | 73 | 60 | 32 | | 56 | |
| 94 | Joe Straus - Speaker | 121 | 56-08 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | | 56 | Hardly conservative Choices ??? |
| 95 | Drew Darby | 72 | 71 | 66 | 64 | 63 | 28 | | 55 | |
| 96 | Will Hartnett | 114 | 62 | 66 | 55 | 64 | 33 | | 55 | |
| 97 | John Davis | 129 | 69 | 54 | 64 | 64 | 32 | X | 54 | Economic & Sm Bus Develop |
| 98 | Dee Margo | 78 | | 54 | 64 | 81 | 32 | | 53 | |
| 99 | Chuck Hopson-Demo | 11 | 28 | 61 | 57 | 62 | 29 | X | 51 | General Investigation & Ethics |
| 100 | Aaron Pena-prev Dem | 40 | 18 | 76 | 45 | 57 | 24 | X | 51 | Technology |
| 101 | Allan Ritter-prev Dem | 21 | 28 | 49 | 64 | 57 | 28 | X | 50 | Natural Resources |
| | Averages | | 73 | 75 | 82 | 72 | 47 | | 69 | most liberal 3 (prev. Demos) received chairmanships! DUH!! |
| | Chairmanship Avg. | | 64 | | | | | | 63 | |

I used **Joe Straus** historical voting record the last time he served as a legislator, for reference rather than using a blank to indicate some "relative ranking" among his co-horts before he became speaker! (Which ranks 94th above out of 101!!!)

This information is a wealth of undeniable research and if any errors exist, please contact me to facilitate a correction. If this is received as well as I believe it will be, and since Tarrant County has always been the leader in the nation - since Reagan - we will take it Countywide, Statewide and then Nationwide!!!

Let us connect the dots accurately to the nearest 1% as to the RELATIVE Conservatism between "**Grass Roots Up Beating Washington (or Austin) Down**" 100% of the time and take all personalities and bias out of the equation. I serve as merely an arithmetic clerk and as a messenger to our Legislators.

Observations - Predictions - Conclusions:

- Chairmanships by quartile: 1st: Creighton(79), Madden(74), Miller(73), Phillips(72) 4 @ 75%
2nd: Bonnen(71), Hunter(68), Taylor(68) 3 @ 79%
3rd: **Solomons(67), Keffer(67), Geren(66), Eissler(63), Cook(61) (5 of 6 voting elite 11 Duh) 5 @ 65%**
4th: Hilderbran(61), Hamilton(60), Calligari(58), **Pitts(58)**, Smithee(57), Truitt(56), Davis(54) 10 @ 56%
Hopson(51), Pena(51), Ritter(50)
- Chairmanships (22 R's) average conservative index compared to the top 22 if they had been chosen as Committee Chairmen:
Average of Straus's Committee Chairmen = 63% vs Top 22 Legislators which were largely ignored **-36%= 23% more conservative**
Average of the "Elite 11"- Now "7" in 2010 & 2011: 6 voting because Speaker does not cast a vote!
Keffer(67), Solomons(67), Geren(66), Eissler(63), Cook(61), Pitts(58) which averaged 64% vs 61% in 2010 - neither was a passing grade
I submit that if Ken Paxton had been elected as speaker there would have been a complete reversal of conservative scores: Rather than 10 being chosen from the 4th quartile @ 56%, 10 would have been chosen from the 1st quartile @ 72%! I submit **that will happen in 2012!!!**
- I have made a commitment to never use the word "RINO" or "Targeted Legislator" **but never print or mention their name without putting parenthetical conservative in** conservative index by their name! For instance: Paxton(98), Christian(93), Zedler(90), King(89), Leo Berman(81), Hancock(76), **Geren(66)**, Nash(61), Todd Nash(61), Todd Smith(60), Shelton(58), Patrick(57), Truitt(56)
- This chart can be helpful by quickly comparing the relative conservatism level between any two legislators in the last session to the nearest 1% of the two. It takes about two minutes to look their Conservative Index up and determine how conservative they are. For instance: Kelly Hancock had a 76% conservative index vs his opponent in the 2012 primary - Mark Shelton(58%) or 18% more conservative based on the exactly the same votes!!!
- In Summary This Chart Is Intended To:
 - Inform everyone what the **relative conservatism is for all legislators.**
 - Offer a positive plan **to ask them to vote more conservatively.**
 - Offer precise measuring plan to inform them to the nearest 1%, how effective we are at communicating grassroots influence from the influence from the people who elected them.**
 - We **will measure their results monthly** - similar to the **concept that the Club For Growth has so successfully used (95%)!**

It will be "**Grass Roots Up**" Overpowering "**Austin Down**" at It's Finest! "**Let's Roll**"!!!

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Use this chart to form an unbiased basis for determining the Relative Conservatism (to the nearest 1%) of all legislators who voted in the 2011 82nd Legislative session.

Used for both Voting and Endorsements by Precinct Chairmen & Grassroots!