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## TAX AMNESTY DAY FOR TEXANS

Representative Guillen Encourages Constituents to Take Advantage of New Tax Program

**AUSTIN** - From May 1st-June 29th, Texans will have the opportunity to file past due reports or amend any underreported taxes without penalties or interest. Representative Ryan Guillen (D-Rural South Texas) encourages everyone in District 31 to take advantage of this tax program to "wipe the slate clean."

"It is that time of year when Texans have to belly up to the state and pay their fair share in taxes," said Guillen. "The Tax Amnesty Program is an admirable way for the state to give delinquent taxpayers a second chance with no excuse necessary."

The Tax Amnesty Program is operated by the Texas Comptroller's Office and offers delinquent taxpayers a reprieve from mounting fees and increasing interest. This program applies to periods before January 1, 2018 and only includes liabilities that have not yet been reported to the Comptroller's office. Additionally, all state and local taxes and fees the Comptroller's office administers are eligible, except for Public Utility Commission gross receipts assessments. If a taxpayer is under an audit or review or has received notification of an audit review, those periods under audit are ineligible for the program.

Representative Guillen is a longtime supporter of helping Texans financially through cutting taxes and simplifying the process. Guillen supported the Homestead Exemption increase, allowing home owners to lower the value of their home by \$10,000 for tax purposes. Guillen also was an author of a bill that reduced the franchise tax by 25%, helping to improve economic activity and lead to the creation of more jobs. In total, he has cut taxes over 50 times since he took office.

"Reducing the tax burden for South Texans is crucial," said Guillen. "We can't sit by and watch Texans get priced out of their homes because of increasing property taxes."

Visit the Texas Comptroller's website for more information on the Tax Amnesty Program.

Serving ten rural South Texas counties in the Texas House of Representatives, Ryan Guillen is known for his hard work, fierce independence, and relentless efforts for South Texas families. Recently, Capitol Inside called him a "House Bill Machine," and a "one-person assembly line for legislation." Since elected, few other legislators have passed more bills than Guillen. Sign up for updates at ryanguillen.com, facebook.com/representative.guillen, and twitter.com/ryanguillen

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