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GUILLEN FILES BILL TO GIVE PAY BUMP TO ACTIVE, RETIRED TEACHERS

*HB 181 would provide an across-the-board \$1000 teacher pay raise
and retired teacher cost-of-living adjustment*

AUSTIN—Representative Ryan Guillen filed HB 181 to address teacher pay and the Teacher Retirement System during the upcoming Special Session of the Texas Legislature. HB 181 seeks to increase teacher salaries and retired teacher annuities by \$1000 using state funding.

Pursuant to Article 3, Section 40 of the Texas Constitution, "when the Legislature shall be convened in special session, there shall be no legislation upon subjects other than those designated in the proclamation of the Governor calling such session." As such, Guillen's filed legislation is an effort to mitigate the hardships for active and retired teachers while staying within the bounds of the constitution.

"Working within the limits of the Governor's call, it's my hope that [HB 181] and other measures introduced this special session will help to ease the pain that our teachers are soon to feel from skyrocketing healthcare costs," said Guillen.

The 1st Called Special Session of the 85th Legislature begins on July 18, 2017. Governor Abbott has currently restricted the legislation that may be passed during the special session to bills reauthorizing certain licensing agencies, but the Governor has said he would add to the Special Session [19 other items](#) including school finance, teacher pay, property taxes and municipal ordinances.

To follow these bills and their deliberations, visit: <http://www.legis.state.tx.us/>.

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](https://www.facebook.com/representative.guillen), and twitter.com/ryanguillen.

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