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**GUILLEN NAMED TO MOST SOUGHT-AFTER  
COMMITTEES IN HOUSE**

*Tapped as Vice Chair of Licensing & Administrative Procedures Committee*

**AUSTIN** – Today, Texas House Speaker Joe Straus announced that State Representative Ryan Guillen (D—Rural South Texas) was named Vice-Chairman of the House Committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures as well as being appointed to serve on the House Committee on State Affairs, two of the most high-profile committees in the House. Guillen expressed his appreciation to the Speaker and that he is honored for the opportunity to serve the state in his new leadership positions.

**"It is a privilege to serve on these vital committees and to tackle some of the most preeminent issues facing our state," said Guillen. "It is my pleasure to continue working as part of the House leadership to fight for the priorities of my district and the state."**

The House Committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures has nine members and has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to the oversight of businesses, industries, general trades and occupations regulated by this state, the regulation of greyhound and horse racing and other gaming industries, and regulation of the sale of intoxicating beverages and local option control, as well as Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, the State Office of Administrative Hearings, the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners, the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy, the Texas Real Estate Commission, the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners, the Texas Board of Professional Engineers, the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University, the Texas Board of Professional Land Surveying, the Texas Racing Commission, the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board, the Texas Lottery Commission, and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

The House Committee on State Affairs has thirteen members and has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to questions and matters of state policy, the administration of state government, the organization, operation, powers, regulation, and management of state departments, agencies, and institutions, the operation and regulation of public lands and state buildings, the duties and conduct of officers and employees of the state government, the operation of state government and its agencies and departments, access of the state agencies to scientific and technological information, the regulation and deregulation of electric utilities and the electric industry, the

regulation and deregulation of telecommunications utilities and the telecommunications industry, electric utility regulation as it relates to energy production and consumption, pipelines, pipeline companies, and all others operating as common carriers in the state, and the regulation and deregulation of other industries jurisdiction of which is not specifically assigned to another committee, as well as the Council of State Governments, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Office of the Governor, the Texas Facilities Commission, the Department of Information Resources, the Inaugural Endowment Fund Committee, the Sunset Advisory Commission, the Public Utility Commission of Texas, and the Office of Public Utility Counsel.

Both committees are expected to begin meeting early next week. As required by the Texas Constitution, the House cannot consider legislation during the first 60 days of session unless the legislation is declared an emergency item by Texas Governor Greg Abbott, and the Texas Legislature will continue to meet until May 29, 2017.

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