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## **GUILLEN ENCOURAGES SOUTH TEXANS TO VOTE IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTION**

*Early Voting For The Nov. 7th Election On Constitutional Amendments Started Oct. 23rd*

**AUSTIN** - Representative Ryan Guillen (D- Rural South Texas) would like to remind everyone that early voting for the November 7th election has started, and to encourage all Texans to do their civic duty and vote.

**"Voting is an important power entrusted to us, and I hope that there is a large turnout for this very important election," Guillen added.**

In addition to the various local issues up for election, there are seven constitutional amendments on the ballot, giving Texans a say in amending the Texas Constitution. The amendments cover a wide range of issues from taxes to charities, and are as follows:

- **Proposition 1** provides a property tax exemption for the charitably donated home of disabled veterans or their surviving spouse.
- **Proposition 2** cuts red tape on home equity loans by updating 20-year old laws.
- **Proposition 3** puts limits on the terms of certain governor-appointed positions.
- **Proposition 4** requires courts to notify the Texas Attorney General of any constitutional challenges to state law.
- **Proposition 5** allows more professional sports teams to conduct charitable raffles.
- **Proposition 6** creates property tax relief for the surviving spouse of a first responder who was killed in the line of duty.
- **Proposition 7** allows banks and other financial institutions to promote and encourage savings by awarding prizes by lottery.

**"Now is the time to let the voice of South Texans be heard on these important issues, so I hope more people than ever turn out and vote this year," added Guillen.**

Information regarding polling station locations and hours can be found on [votetexas.gov](http://votetexas.gov) and the Texas Secretary of State's website. Election Day is November 7, 2017, but early voting started on October 23, 2017 and runs through November 3, 2017

*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](http://ryanguillen.com), [facebook.com/representative.guillen](https://facebook.com/representative.guillen), and [twitter.com/ryanguillen](https://twitter.com/ryanguillen)*

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