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## **GUILLEN WELCOMES REPORT IN HOPES OF IMPROVING MILITARY DEPT**

*Sunset Advisory Commission Reports Review Texas Military Department*

**AUSTIN** - The Sunset Advisory Committee just released annual staff reports for several agencies, including the Texas Military Department (TMD). Representative Ryan Guillen (D - Rural South Texas) applauds the release of the report and looks forward to legislative debate next session to improve the operations of the Military Department.

**"Sunset Commission Staff reports are a means to look at areas of an internal agency's operations that go unnoticed," said Guillen. "They help us get a better understanding and see what needs improving so that we can make Texas government more efficient and effective."**

State agencies in Texas usually have a built-in expiration date called a "sunset date." The Sunset Commission is tasked with periodically reviewing these agencies as they near their sunset date in order to recommend changes to the operation of the agency to increase its effectiveness or to recommend the agency be closed for good. Sunset Commission staff reports are reviewed by the Sunset Commission board, made up of members of the House and Senate, who then file legislation addressing some or all of the recommended changes.

The Sunset Commission's report does not concern itself with TMD's capabilities as a military, emergency response, or civil support force. Rather, the staff reports focused on the internal management and operations of the department. The staff found that TMD continues to provide Texas a vital service, but that there are some improvements that could be made next session to increase its effectiveness.

**"Reviewing these reports allows legislators to start considering possible legislation for the next session," added Guillen. "This helps us improve state agencies for the citizens."**

*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*



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