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**GUILLEN ASSISTS WITH EMERGENCY GRANT FOR WILLACY
COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

AUSTIN – After months of working with county officials and the Texas Historical Commission, State Representative Ryan Guillen (D-District 31) is proud to see emergency grant funding awarded being to Willacy County to help repair the historic county courthouse.

"The Willacy County Courthouse is among Texas's most treasured courthouses. This grant is an important first step towards its restoration," said Guillen, who chairs the committee with legislative oversight of the Texas Historical Commission. "It has been a pleasure working with Judge Guerra and with commission staff to secure this funding for this historic building."

The grant was awarded as one of two emergency grants from the Texas Historical Commission to help them repair their courthouses. Willacy County received a \$402,970 grant which will be matched by the county. The funds will go to stopping the spread of moisture in the courthouse which has led to standing water in the basement, high humidity levels, and widespread mold.

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