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**SENATOR LARRY TAYLOR APPOINTED TO THE TEXAS LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
*JOINT BUDGET OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE***

(Austin, TX) Today, Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick named Senator Larry Taylor (R-Friendswood), one of four Texas Senators, to serve as a member of the prestigious Legislative Budget Board (LBB) beginning January 1, 2016.

"I am humbled Lt. Governor Patrick has asked me to serve as a member of the Legislative Budget Board," said Sen. Larry Taylor. "I look forward to ensuring that our state budget maintains adequate levels of funding for essential state services while exercising fiscal prudence in accordance with our state constitutional spending limits."

The LBB is a ten-member permanent joint committee of the Texas Legislature created by statute in 1949. The primary purpose of the LBB is the development of recommended legislative appropriations for all agencies of state government. The LBB provides the Texas Legislature with the recommended state budget, prepared by the LBB staff, at the beginning of each legislative session, which occurs in early January of odd-numbered years.

Other Texas Senators announced today by Lt. Governor Patrick to serve on the LBB include: Sen. Joan Huffman, Sen. Jane Nelson and Sen. Carlos Uresti. The remaining ten-member board is comprised of four state representatives, led by presiding Joint-Chair's Lt. Governor Patrick and Texas House Speaker Joe Straus.

Sen. Larry Taylor represents Senate District 11, comprised of parts of Brazoria, Galveston, and Harris Counties. Before his election to the Texas Senate in 2012, Sen. Taylor served five terms in the Texas House of Representatives. <http://www.senate.state.tx.us/75r/senate/members/dist11/dist11.htm>

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