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**SENATOR CAMPBELL JOINS SENATOR PATRICK  
TO ANNOUNCE END OF CSCOPE LESSON PLANS**

AUSTIN - Senator Donna Campbell joined Sen. Dan Patrick and Rep. Steve Toth at a press conference today to announce that CSCOPE will no longer be designing lesson plans for 875 Texas school districts. The announcement came after the TESCCC Board released a letter stating that all lessons will be removed from their website when contracts expire on August 31st, and that districts cannot use any lessons they currently have beyond that date.

"Parents spoke and we listened. This is a victory for transparency in our schools. While increased oversight would have potentially made CSCOPE more palatable, I applaud the Board for ultimately making the responsible decision to end the lesson plans," Sen. Campbell said.

The Regional Service Centers in charge of CSCOPE will not produce lesson plans going forward, but instead return to their core mission of providing a management tool for teachers.

"I'm pleased that the CSCOPE Board has made the decision to get out of the lesson plan business. This is a positive development for students, parents, teachers, and for the Regional Service Centers," Sen. Patrick stated. "I want to thank the members of the Senate Education Committee for their months of work on this issue."

"We believe this is the best decision moving forward and allows us to continue to provide high quality services to the more than 1,000 school districts and charter schools in Texas," said Kyle Wargo, Board Member Region 17 Board of Directors.

Senator Campbell reiterated the need to encourage access and not leave parents in the dark. "No matter what the vehicle, we need to make sure the educational materials are correct, credible, and consistent with what Texans want taught in our schools."

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*Senator Donna Campbell represents Senate District 25 which includes all or parts of Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Hays, Kendall and Travis counties. She is a practicing emergency room physician who lives in New Braunfels with her husband and the youngest of their four daughters.*