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**Campbell Testifies for Stricter Oversight of Obamacare Navigators**  
*Senator Cites Need for Greater Consumer Protections to TDI*

AUSTIN-- Donna Campbell was one of only two state senators to testify in front of the Texas Department of Insurance's special hearing on navigators Friday. Senator Campbell cited consumer protections and privacy concerns in her support for stricter state oversight, criminal background checks, and increased training for navigators approved through the Affordable Care Act.

"Implementation of Obamacare has exposed the law's many intrinsic flaws and faulty assumptions, just one of which is an ill-defined navigator program. The federal government has acknowledged that they don't have the resources to vet and provide oversight of these organizations," Senator Campbell stated. "This lax oversight poses a bigger threat to consumers than the failure of the Obamacare website. Texas must act quickly to enforce regulations that address the many insufficiencies of the federal rules."

The proposed rules will be implemented in accordance with Senate Bill 1795, authored by Sen. Kirk Watson and signed into law by Governor Perry earlier this year. In addition to her testimony, Senator Campbell presented a letter to Commissioner Julia Rathgeber, expressing her full support for the tact taken by the Texas Department of Insurance.

"There is nothing in federal law, rule, or regulation that prohibits a convicted felon from serving as a Navigator, a fact that was publicly confirmed by Secretary Kathleen Sebelius. Fingerprinting and background checks at the state level are imperative to ensure that Texans' personal information is handled appropriately, if it can be handled appropriately at all," the senator wrote. "I look forward to the opportunity to work with you to ensure that additional safeguards and standards are enacted."

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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.*