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Governor Appoints Senator Campbell to Education Advisory Council

AUSTIN-- Governor Rick Perry announced the appointment of State Senator Donna Campbell to the <u>Southern Regional Education Board</u> Legislative Advisory Council, a non-profit, nonpartisan compact formed between 16 states to improve public education.

"I am honored and humbled that Governor Perry has put me in the position to improve education opportunities for the families of Texas," Senator Campbell said. "I look forward to helping develop solutions to improve our schools and make Texas the leading education state in the nation."

Sixteen member states share resources through the Southern Regional Education Board, saving money and achieving results that otherwise would be difficult. SREB provides school improvement programs for middle grades and high schools; issues updates on key topics; and provides professional development and other services to educators at all levels to improve instruction, student achievement, teacher quality and leadership.

The Board includes the Governor and four gubernatorial appointees from each state, including at least one state legislator and one educator. The Legislative Advisory Council from each state advises the Board.

Other Legislative Advisory Council members from Texas include State Representatives Jimmie Don Aycock, Dan Branch, and Marsha Farney. State Senator Donna Campbell replaces Sen. Royce West of Dallas.

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Senator Campbell is an emergency room physician representing Senate District 25. She sits on the Senate Education Committee and lives in New Braunfels with her husband and the youngest of four daughters.