

# Ignite the Leader in You in 2018!



# Our Mission

- TFRW provides the avenue for women **to influence policy**, develop candidates, and elect the leaders of Texas. We are a multi-generational, multicultural organization that provides the structure and support for political activists to **learn, engage, and flourish.**

# Pop Quiz

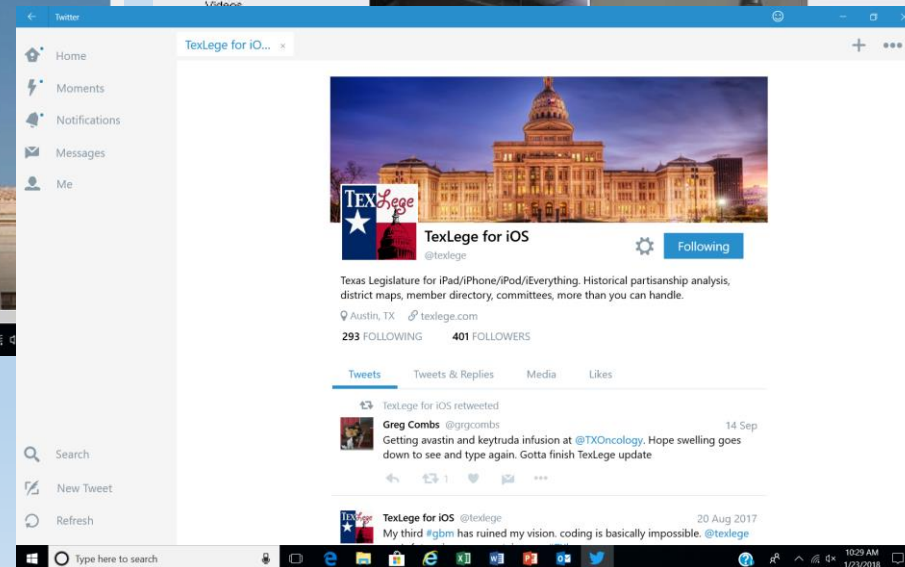
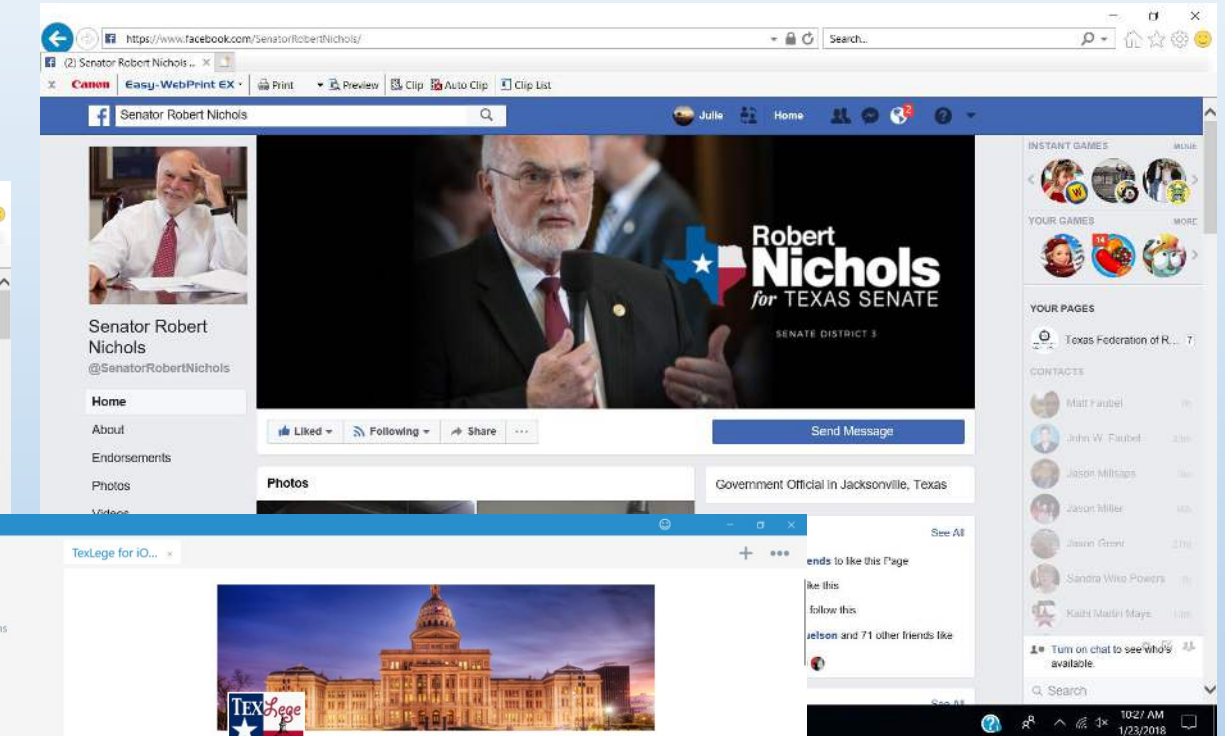
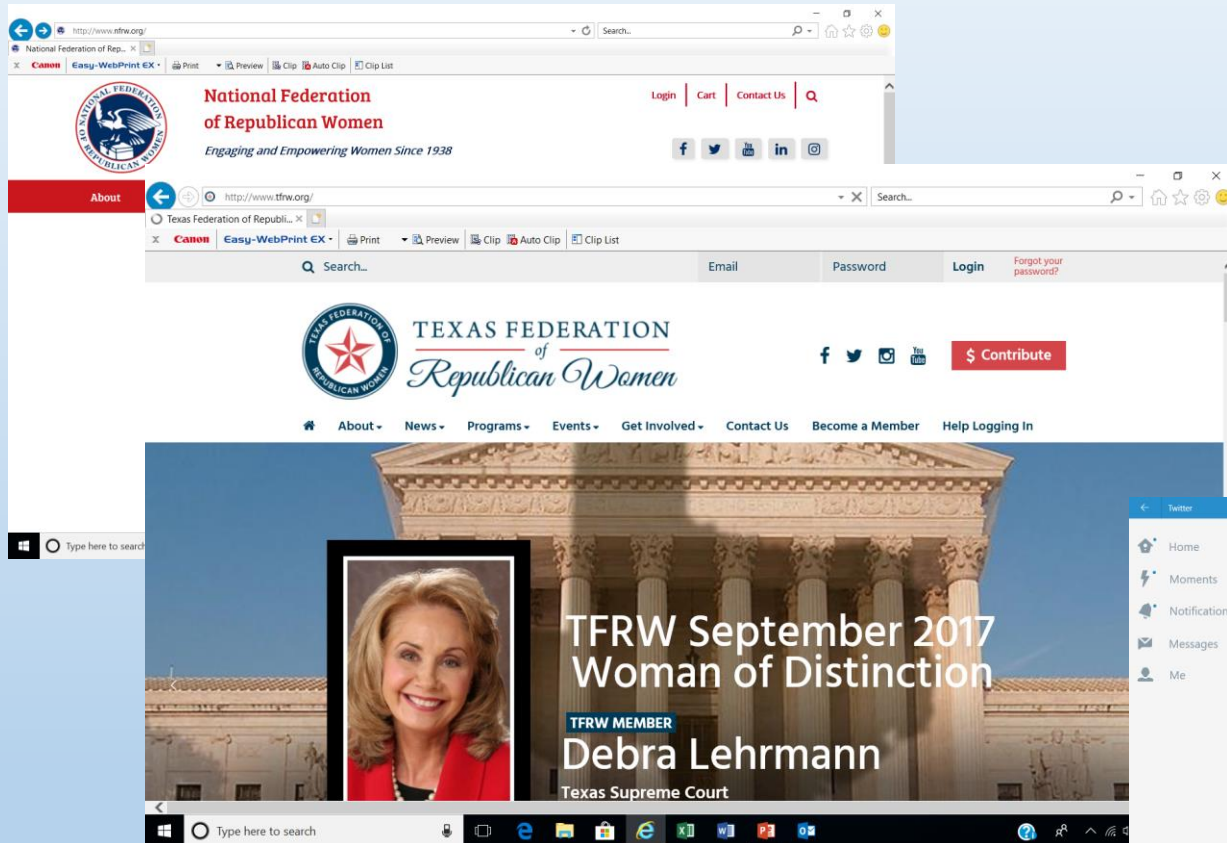
1. Who is your State Senator and what is your Senate District?
2. Who is your U. S. Congressman and what is your U.S. House District?
3. Who is your State Representative and what is your House District?
4. Who is your State Board of Education member?

If you did not know the answers to one or more of Questions 1-4, bookmark  
<http://www.fyi.state.tx.us>

# Learn -

- Know who represents you and your membership
- Subscribe to your elected officials' email lists
- Follow legislators on social media
- Watch committee hearings online
- Follow the news (internet, paper, television, talk radio)
- Read NFRW and TFRW emails
- Familiarize yourself with NFRW and TFRW websites

# Today it is on the internet



# National

The image is a collage of four overlapping screenshots of the U.S. Congress website, specifically the House of Representatives and Senate pages, as of January 23, 2018.

**Top Left Screenshot (Congress.gov):** Shows the main navigation bar with links for Legislation, Congressional Record, Committees, and Members. Below this is a search bar and a list of "Most-Viewed Bills | Top 10", including H.R. 1, H.R. 392, and H.R. 38. A sidebar on the left lists "Current Legislative Activities" for the 115th Congress (2017-2018), including "House of Representatives" and "House Links".

**Top Right Screenshot (U.S. Senate):** Shows the U.S. Senate homepage with a search bar and a list of "Floor Proceedings" and "Scheduled Hearings". A large image of the Senate chamber is featured.

**Bottom Left Screenshot (U.S. House of Representatives):** Shows the U.S. House of Representatives homepage with a search bar and a list of "Floor Proceedings" and "Scheduled Hearings". A large image of the House chamber is featured.

**Bottom Right Screenshot (U.S. House of Representatives):** Shows a "Find Your Representative" page with a search bar and a list of "Floor Proceedings" and "Scheduled Hearings". A large image of the House chamber is featured.

# State

The image displays three overlapping screenshots of the Texas Legislature Online (TLO) website, illustrating its various functionalities.

**Top Screenshot: Texas Legislature Online Home Page**  
The main navigation bar includes links for Home, My TLO, House, Senate, Legislation, Search, Committees, and Calendars. A search bar is prominently displayed. The left sidebar provides a comprehensive list of links for the Texas House and Senate, including committees, members, and legislative processes. The main content area features a "Search Legislation" section with filters for the 85th Legislature (2017) and options to search by word/phrase or bill number. Below this, there are sections for "Additional Searches" (Text Search, Statutes, Bill Lookup, Constitution, Bill Search, Reports, Amendments, View Votes, Sections Affected, Administrative C, Legislative Archive System) and "How Do I ...".

**Middle Screenshot: Texas Legislature Online House Committees**  
This page lists various committees and their subcommittees, including Agriculture & Livestock, Appropriations, Business & Industry, Corrections, County Affairs, Criminal Jurisprudence, Culture, Recreation & Tourism, Defense & Veterans' Affairs, Economic & Small Business Development, Economic Competitiveness, Select, Elections, Energy Resources, Environmental Regulation, General Investigating & Ethics, Government Transparency & Operation, Higher Education, Homeland Security & Public Safety, House Administration, Human Services, Insurance, International Trade & Intergovernmental Affairs, Investments & Financial Services, and Investments & Financial Services-5/C on Bond Indebtedness.

**Bottom Screenshot: Texas Legislature Online Upcoming House Committee Meetings**  
This page provides a detailed schedule of upcoming committee meetings. It includes sections for "Witness Registration" and "Tuesday, January 23, 2018". The schedule lists the following meetings:

- Tuesday, January 23, 2018**
  - Upon adjournment of the Subcommittee**
    - Environmental Regulation (Type: Public Hearing, Location: E2.010)
  - 9:00 AM**
    - Environmental Regulation (Type: Public Hearing, Location: E2.010)
  - 9:30 AM**
    - Investments & Financial Services (Type: Public Hearing, Location: E2.010)
- Wednesday, January 31, 2018**
  - 10:30 AM**
    - Investments & Financial Services (Type: Public Hearing, Location: E2.010)
- Thursday, February 01, 2018**
  - 9:30 AM**
    - Homeland Security & Public Safety (Type: Public Hearing, Location: Tyler, Texas (See details below))
- Tuesday, February 06, 2018**
  - 9:15 AM**
    - County Affairs (Type: Public Hearing, Location: Houston, TX)
- Tuesday, February 20, 2018**
  - 11:00 AM**
    - County Affairs (Type: Public Hearing, Location: Houston, TX)

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January 23, 2018

### Members Not Returning, 86th Legislature

View a list of members not returning for the 86th Texas Legislature.

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January 22, 2018

### Interim Hearings – Week of January 29

Find agenda items and related resources for upcoming interim hearings in the Texas Legislature.

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January 18, 2018

### Current Articles and Research Resources, January 18

In this weekly post, we feature helpful research tools and recent articles of interest to the legislative community.

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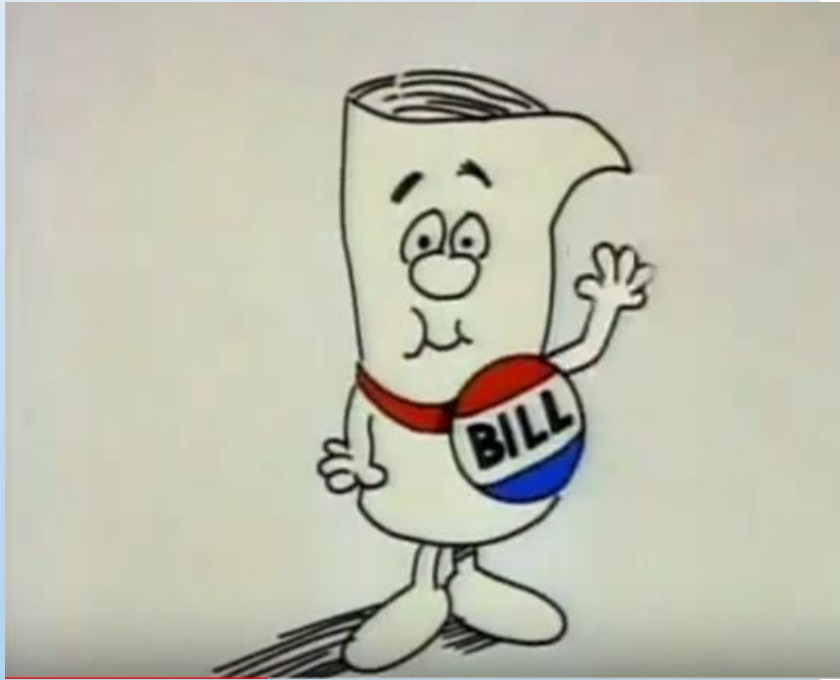
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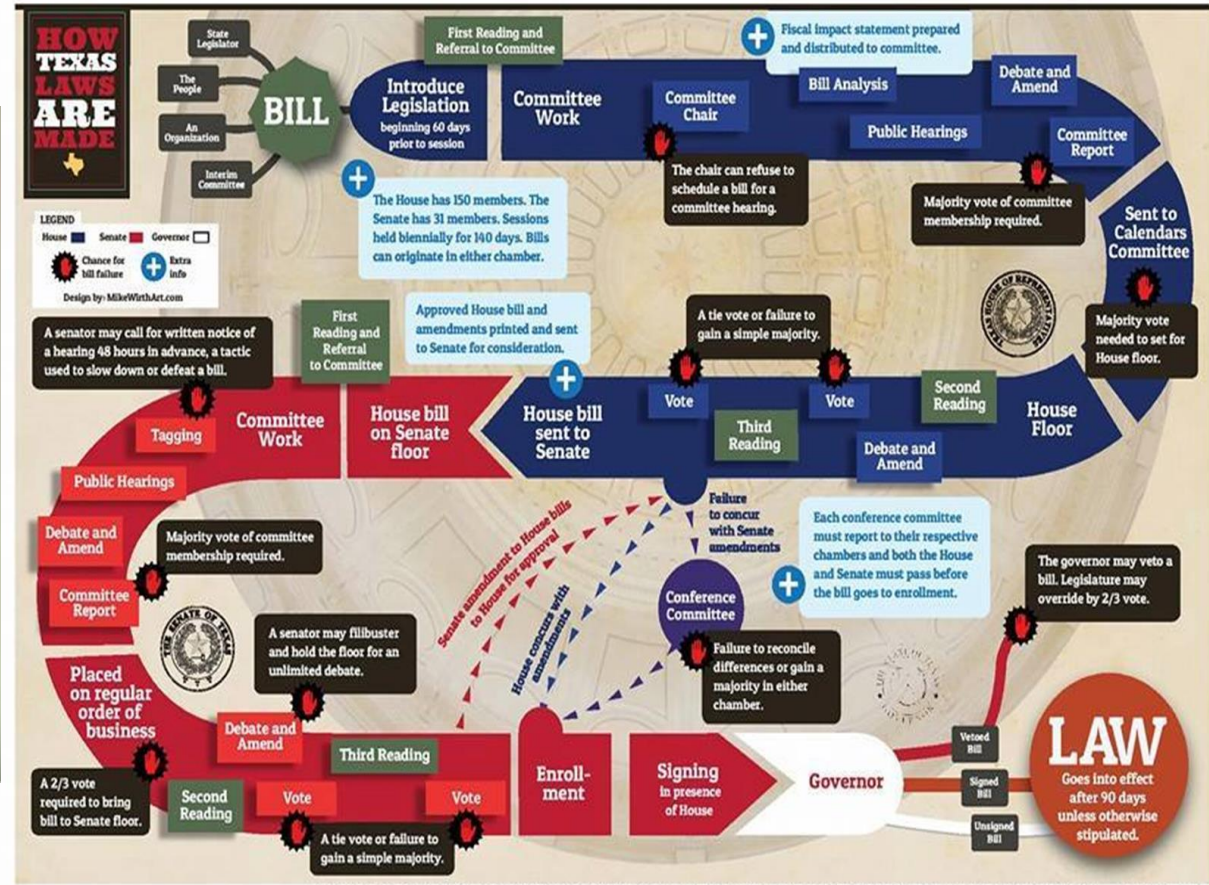
# Learn – The basics of the legislative process

- The Texas Legislature meets for 140 days every 2 years in odd-numbered years. The 2019 session will start January 8th and will conclude May 27th. During the regular session, any bill may be considered by the Legislature.
- In 2017, 6,631 bills were filed. Only 1,211 passed with 51 of those vetoed.
- Between legislative sessions, the Lieutenant Governor and Speaker of the House of Representatives appoint Interim Committees to study important issues going forward. These interim committees hold hearings and take public testimony. Their findings will affect actions taken during the next regular session

# "I'm just a bill . . ."



"I'm Just a Bill" is a 1976 Schoolhouse Rock!



# Engage –

- Build a productive working relationships with each official and his or her staff.
- Meet with them individually, invite them to your meetings, attend their town hall meetings.
- Get to know staff members and communicate with them regularly.
- Provide brief written materials and background research to support your issue.
- Attend hearings, forums and events in your area

# Flourish –

- Share your information! Become the knowledgeable source.
- Write articles for club newsletter and website updates.
- Encourage club members to participate in the legislative process and become effective advocates.
- Promote and participate in TFRW's legislative Day in Austin.
- Report your hours, there is strength in numbers!

*Save the Date!*

TFRW Legislative Day

April 25, 2019

Austin, TX

# TFRW – Inspire. Unite. Achieve

*Ignite the Leader in You!*

## Leadership Day 2018

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