Texas

**Senate**

John Cornyn

**Key Committees:**
Senate Finance Committee

**Legislation:**
Co-Sponsor – A resolution recognizing January 2018 as National Mentoring Month

**House of Representatives**

Rep. Dan Crenshaw (TX-02)
Freshman member

**Key Committees:**
- House Budget Committee

Rep. Van Taylor (TX-03)
Freshman member

**Key Committees:**
- House Education and Labor Committee

Rep. John Ratcliffe (TX-04)

**Key Committees:**
- House Ways and Means Committee

**Legislation:**
- Child Protection Improvements Act Co-Sponsor

Rep. Lance Gooden (TX-05)
Freshman member

Rep. Ron Wright (TX-06)
Freshman member

**Key Committees:**
- House Education and Labor Committee
Congressional Reference Sheet

Note: Only members of Congress who are on committees relevant to mentoring or have co-sponsored mentoring legislation are on this document.

Rep. Lizzie Fletcher (TX-07)
Freshman member

Rep. Kevin Brady (TX-08)
Key Committees:
  o Chairman of House Ways and Means Committee

Rep. Al Green (TX-09)
Legislation:
  o Co-Sponsor – Foster Youth Mentoring Act
  o Signed Dear Colleague Letter – Youth Mentoring Program Appropriations

Rep. Kay Granger (TX-12)
Key Committees:
  o Ranking Member on House Appropriations Committee

Rep. Veronica Escobar (TX-16)
Freshman member

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-18)
Key Committees:
  o House Budget Committee
Legislation:
  o Co-Sponsor – The Chronic Absenteeism Reduction Act
  o Signed Dear Colleague Letter – Youth Mentoring Program Appropriations

Rep. Jodey Arrington (TX-19)
Key Committees:
  o House Budget Committee

Rep. Chip Roy (TX-21)
Freshman member
  Key Committees:
    o House Budget Committee

Rep. Kenny Marchant (TX-24)
Key Committees:
  o House Ways and Means Committee
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Rep. Blake Farenthold (TX-27)
Key Committees:
- House Judiciary Committee

Rep. Henry Cuellar (TX-28)
Key Committees:
- House Appropriations Committee

Rep. Sylvia Garcia (TX-29)
Freshman member

Rep. John Carter (TX-31)
Key Committees:
- House Appropriations Committee
  - Subcommittee for Commerce, Justice, and Science

Rep. Colin Allred (TX-32)
Freshman member

Rep. Marc Veasey (TX-33)
Legislation:
- Signed Dear Colleague Letter – Youth Mentoring Program Appropriations

Rep. Filemon Vela (TX-34)
Legislation:
- Child Protection Improvements Act Co-Sponsor

Rep. Lloyd Doggett (TX-35)
Key Committees:
- House Ways and Means Committee
Legislation:
- Signed Dear Colleague Letter – Youth Mentoring Program Appropriations
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Appropriations Committee (House and Senate):

These committees write laws each year to fund federal government agencies and programs. The Appropriations Committees oversee the work done by smaller, specialized subcommittees, which write laws specific to certain subject areas.

- **The Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee** (House and Senate):

  These subcommittees decide funding for the Youth Mentoring Grant when it earmarks funds for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) at the Department of Justice (DOJ).

Education and Labor Committee (House)/Health, Education, Labor & Pensions Committee (Senate):

These committees write education- and workforce-related legislation. Laws that support school-based mentoring, like the Every Student Succeeds Act, go through these committees.

Ways and Means Committee (House)/Finance Committee (Senate):

These committees work on tax legislation, as well as Social Security and health and human service programs financed by specific taxes or trust funds. Work related to mentoring for foster youth, and tax incentives for corporations that with mentoring programs are particularly relevant to the work of these committees.

Budget Committee (House and Senate):

These committees review legislation that require federal tax dollars. The committees decide the level of funding for federal programs, and draft Budget Resolutions that the Appropriations Committee then uses to earmark funds.