

Congressional Reference Sheet

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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

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Rep. Lizzie Fletcher (TX-07)

Freshman member

Rep. Kevin Brady (TX- 08)

Key Committees:

- Chairman of House Ways and Means Committee

Rep. Al Green (TX-09)

Legislation:

- Co-Sponsor – Foster Youth Mentoring Act
- Signed Dear Colleague Letter – Youth Mentoring Program Appropriations

Rep. Kay Granger (TX-12)

Key Committees:

- Ranking Member on House Appropriations Committee

Rep. Veronica Escobar (TX-16)

Freshman member

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-18)

Key Committees:

- House Budget Committee

Legislation:

- Co-Sponsor – The Chronic Absenteeism Reduction Act
- Signed Dear Colleague Letter – Youth Mentoring Program Appropriations

Rep. Jodey Arrington (TX-19)

Key Committees:

- House Budget Committee

Rep. Chip Roy (TX-21)

Freshman member

Key Committees:

- House Budget Committee

Rep. Kenny Marchant (TX- 24)

Key Committees:

- 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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Key Committees:

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.