

Senate Business and Commerce Committee Hearing
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Testimony by Parker County Commissioner John Roth

Good morning Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee.

I appreciate the opportunity to testify this morning on Senate Bill 980.

I'm here today to applaud Chairman Corona for carrying and championing this bill.

As a County Commissioner recruited by local citizens in my area to run for elected office on a platform of conservative leadership, I consider this bill to be an example of what good government stands for: Keeping government regulation on business at an absolute minimum.

Good government should also first and foremost begin with and consist of wiping out unnecessary laws that inhibit growth and investment.

This bill is a poster child for what good government should stand for.

Realistically, the Texas Legislature has laid the groundwork for this legislation ~~and~~ over a number of years.

As a result, our economy has grown and an increasing number of businesses, both tech and otherwise, have relocated to our great state to take advantage of our pro-business climate.

SB 980 is simply another piece, completing the puzzle.

By acknowledging the growth of competition in Texas, as well as the need for removing regulatory hurdles, this bill will allow for investment, resulting in more small businesses and increased jobs – critical components to our Texas economy.

This bill will also ultimately benefit Texas consumers because lower prices on services and goods will be a natural result.

I ask all of you to vote to pass this bill out of committee.

Thank you for your time.