



# Joan Huffman

## Senator ★ District 17

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### **Huffman Receives Champions for Free Enterprise Award from the Texas Association of Business**

HOUSTON— State Sen. Joan Huffman (R-Houston) has received the Champions for Free Enterprise Award from The Texas Association of Business, an organization that represents companies from the largest multi-national corporations to the smallest businesses in nearly every community throughout Texas. Huffman is only one of four senators to receive a score of 100% from the Association on their 2013 scorecard for the 83rd legislative session.

To be recognized as a Champion of Free Enterprise a legislator must demonstrate their commitment to a pro-business platform that promotes job growth, economic prosperity, and the creation of a thriving workforce in Texas. "Supporting business initiatives in Texas is important for everyone," said TAB President and CEO Bill Hammond. "A good business environment helps keep our economy strong and means jobs. Sen. Huffman knows that, and her support means Texas will stay at the top for jobs and economic growth."

"I earned this award because of my commitment to values such as fiscal responsibility, a free market without unnecessary regulations, an efficient and fair legal system, and an educational system that promotes the individual strengths of each student," said Huffman. "It's the reliance upon these values that have placed Texas at the helm of our nation's economic recovery and as a result our business friendly climate has not only led to job growth, but has also positioned us on a path of continued economic prosperity that will ultimately improve the quality of life for all Texans."

*(Senator Joan Huffman represents District 17, which comprises portions of Brazoria, Fort Bend and Harris counties. Huffman currently serves as chairwoman of the Texas Senate Republican Caucus and as vice chairwoman of the Senate Criminal Justice Committee. She also is a member of the Finance, State Affairs, and Health and Human Services Committees, as well as the Sunset Advisory Commission. Huffman and her family reside in Houston.)*

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