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Senator Campbell Applauds Passing of Licensed Open-Carry

Upon passage of SB 17, Senator Campbell released the following statement:

"Senate Bill 17 strengthens the rights of Texans to carry a handgun for self-defense while guaranteeing the same safe and secure environment we have always shared with our fellow CHL holders. Statistics show that CHL holders are the most responsible gun owners in the state. They must undergo a rigorous background check and pass state-approved safety and range proficiency requirements before earning their license. The only thing this bill changes is the right of licensed Texans to carry their self-defense handgun in a visible holster rather than a concealed one if they choose. As a co-author of SB 17, I believe that's a reasonable measure that allows Texans to exercise the same right as citizens of other states, and I am proud to join Sen. Estes in strengthening the second amendment rights of Texans."

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Senator Donna Campbell is a practicing emergency room physician who represents Senate District 25, including parts of Austin and San Antonio. She lives in New Braunfels and has four daughters.