



Texas REALTORS® Legislative Hill Visits—April 12, 2011

Help protect and promote your industry in the 82nd Texas Legislature

As a Texas REALTOR®, you have one of the most respected lobby teams in the state. They supply state legislators with information about how proposed changes in state law could affect private-property owners and the real estate industry.

But ... as effective as the lobby team is, no one has more influence on a legislator than a constituent—someone who lives in that legislator's district.

This is why I strongly encourage you to attend the 2011 Texas REALTORS® Hill Visits on April 12 in Austin. It's a great learning experience, very important for your business, and a lot of fun.

Hills Visits, which occur every legislative session, enable Texas REALTORS® to visit with their state lawmakers and encourage support for issues like tort reform, TREC-friendly legislation, eliminating real estate transfer fees, and preventing taxes on commissions.

This show of strength and solidarity by Texas REALTORS® from across the state sends a message to legislators. It says their REALTOR® constituents are paying attention and are ready to hold them accountable for their votes.

When you come to Austin, not only will association staff brief you on issues to address with your legislators and provide talking points, they will also arrange your meetings with legislators.

After your visit to the Capitol, come across the street to the Texas Association of REALTORS® headquarters for a tasty barbecue lunch and a building tour.

The association's goal is for 2,011 Texas REALTORS® to attend the 2011 Hill Visits, so contact your local association immediately to register—buses are filling up quickly.

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