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## **TAB Adds Former Lawmaker to Team for Remainder of 85th Session**

**AUSTIN**—The Texas Association of Business is proud to announce that for State Representative Jim Keffer will be working with the rest of the TAB lobby team for the remainder of the 85th Legislative Session.

“Jim will be focusing on a number of areas, include our work against discriminatory legislation,” said TAB President Chris Wallace. “We are very happy to have someone with the reputation of Jim Keffer working with us on these issues that are so important to our state and our economy.”

Keffer was first elected to the House in 1996 and was named by Texas Monthly Magazine as a “Top Ten Legislator” in 2011. He retired from the House after the 84th Legislative Session.

“I look forward to working with the excellent team the Texas Association of Business has in place,” said Keffer. “TAB has long championed free enterprise and a strong economy that has helped businesses, both large and small. As a business owner I know how important the work they do is and I am proud to be a part of it.”

Keffer is a proud father and grandfather and has championed economic development both at the local and state levels. While in the house he served as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee and the Economic Development Committee.

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