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PERRY TAPPED TO CHAIR COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, WATER, & RURAL AFFAIRS
Additionally named to Higher Education, Health & Human Services, and Criminal Justice

LUBBOCK, TX – Today, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick chose State Senator Charles Perry to Chair the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Rural Affairs. Additionally, Perry was named a member of the Committee on Higher Education, the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Criminal Justice.

“What a humbling honor to be appointed to a chairmanship my first session in the Texas Senate,” said Sen. Charles Perry. “My position on this committee will ensure a strong voice for the citizens in the 51 counties I represent in rural West Texas.”

“Throughout my time in the Texas Legislature, I have made securing our future water needs a top priority,” continued Perry. “I look forward to working with my fellow Senators to ensure Texas continues to address our water infrastructure so that our state’s future remains strong and our agricultural needs are met.”

A senator has not been granted a chairmanship their first session in the Senate since 1993. Earlier this week, Lt. Governor Patrick realigned and consolidated committees, reducing the number of total committees by 22%.

“I look forward to working with my fellow Senators on the Higher Education, Health and Human Services, and Criminal Justice Committees,” said Perry. “I am excited to continue working closely with Texas Tech Chancellor Robert Duncan in the area of higher education as I value his expertise and institutional knowledge in this area.”

“As Lt. Governor Patrick stated, ‘It is a new day in Texas’”, continued Perry. “I am very thankful that he trusted my leadership to play a fundamental role in formulating the policies that will shape the future of Texas. I have no doubt that under the strong leadership of Lt. Governor Patrick the Senate will lead the charge in passing conservative legislation that people of Texas overwhelmingly requested at the ballot box this last cycle.”

If you have any questions or comments about this bill or any of Senator Perry’s legislative agenda, please feel free to contact Travis McCormick at 512-463-0128 or Travis.McCormick@senate.state.tx.us.

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