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## **Statement by Senator Borris L. Miles Regarding The Texas House Voting Against HB 1 – Private School Vouchers**

“Today, the death of Private School Vouchers in HB 1 in the Texas House is a resounding victory for Texas, our neighborhood schools, teachers, and families. Private school vouchers were brought up on the Texas House Floor, debated and voted down by a bipartisan coalition of Republicans and Democrats.

“I have always stood against private school vouchers because it’s a fiscally irresponsible plan that directs our tax dollars to academically unaccountable private schools. This bill would have been the first step in the death of public education in Texas as we know it.

“Our neighborhood schools are the backbones of our communities in Texas. From rural areas, suburban and communities of color in urban cities, every child deserves a high-quality education.

“The Texas Legislature has sent a clear message to the Governor that private school vouchers have no place in Texas. I want to personally thank the Republicans who stood with the Texas House Democrats to fight against vouchers and for our neighborhood schools. I look forward to working on the real education priorities of Texas, fully funding our public schools and giving our hard working educators a well-deserved pay raise.”

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