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Hundreds of educators to lobby at State Capitol

AUSTIN— Approximately 400 educators are expected to meet with state legislators to discuss key public education issues during the Association of Texas Professional Educators' (ATPE) Lobby Day Feb. 11 at the Texas State Capitol.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to watch the Legislature and attend committee hearings.

“Attending Lobby Day is a great way for educators to build relationships with elected officials,” said ATPE State President Deann Lee. “It also gives teachers an opportunity to tell lawmakers how severe budget cuts have affected their classrooms.”

In conjunction with Lobby Day, ATPE members will also participate in a Political Involvement Training event, where they will learn how to impact the political process and gain insight into complex education issues facing the 83rd Legislature.

For more information on the ATPE Political Involvement Training and Lobby Day, visit ATPE.org and TeachTheVote.org/News. Follow live updates on Twitter with the hashtag #ATPELobbyDay.

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With more than 110,000 members, the Association of Texas Professional Educators is the preeminent educators' association in Texas and the largest nonunion educators' group nationwide. Its membership consists of classroom teachers, para-educators, administrators, college students and retired educators. ATPE is committed to advocating for better benefits for all educators, promoting a collaborative work environment and the right of educators to choose the association they feel represents their interests, and providing the best education possible for all Texas school children.