



Date: March 15, 2019

To: Texas Support Service Provider Coalition for DeafBlind Texans
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Subject: Texas State Capitol in regard to SB 704 and HB 1564:

The American Association of the DeafBlind (AADB) serves as one of the nation's invaluable cornerstones in protecting and advocating DeafBlind rights. As a national-level deafblind consumer organization, our mission is to provide tools and information to educate, empower, and advocate for higher quality in DeafBlind communities and individuals.

AADB officially announces its sponsorship of the Texas Support Service Coalition (TXSSP) in promoting the urgency of approving the SB 704 & HB 1564 during the 86th Legislative session.

Texas has a rich history in supporting people with disabilities. Therefore, AADB recognizes DeafBlind citizens are in huge disadvantage. It is an absolute necessity for these citizens to obtain Support Providers (SSP) in order for their DeafBlind autonomy to be achieved. The approval of SB 704 & HB 1564 would also create more jobs and training that benefits the greater society in Texas.

AADB grants permission for TXSSP to use our logo for sponsorship purposes to advocate for the passing of SB 704 & HB 1564. We strongly encourage all legislators to show support by sponsoring SB 704 & HB 1564.

Sincerely,
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