

SHHH



STATE PROFILE FOR: Texas **Date: 6/12/01**

Compiled by Lois Johnson, Director, Texas SHHH State Office

State Population Data

Total population of state	20,851,820
Number people over 65	2,072,532
Number of people under 18	28.2%
Total number of people with hearing loss in state	161,476
Number of people who are deaf	42,204
Number of people who are hard of hearing	119,272
Number of people who are late deafened	
Number of people who are deaf/blind	

SHHH Chapter Information

Number of SHHH Chapters in state: 5

Number of SHHH groups: 6

Number of SHHH members in state: 420

Instate Chapters and Groups Information

Please attach a list of instate chapters and groups with the following information: Name, Location, Dues, Newsletter, webpage address if applicable, contact information and focus (e.g. senior citizens, parents)

State Coordinator

Mrs. Tommie G. Wells
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Fort Worth Texas 76118
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East Texas State Coordinator

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Capitol Group (Austin) <http://home.austin.rr.com/supersis/SHHH/index.htm>

Meets: Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 P.M.
Location: Cameron Road Church of Christ, 6016 Cameron Road, Austin, Tx.. (next to Whataburger)
Contact: David Coco dcoco@mail.utexas.edu

Clear Lakes Area Group (outside of Houston)

Meets: 2nd Saturday of the month, from 10:00 – 11:30A.M., no meeting in July and August
Location: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Nassau Bay, 18229 Upper Bay Road, 2 blocks south of NASA Rd. 1 (Look for the Texaco sign on NASA Rd 1) Park at the back of the church and enter door on the left next to the playground. Go down the hallway to room 117.
Contact: Patricia Berry paberry@flash.net

Dallas Chapter (Dallas) www.dallasshh.org

Meets: 3rd Thursday of every month, except December at 7P.M.
Location: Baylor Richardson Medical Center Annex on Campbell Rd. at the first or second conference room.
Contact: Richard Wagner Richard@dallasshh.org (214) 823-2012

Richardson Senior's meeting (Dallas) Senior Citizens

Meets: 4th Friday of the month (except Nov. & Dec.)
Location: Richardson Senior Citizen Center, 820 Arapaho Road

Hearing Scouts (Dallas)

Meets: once a month on various Saturdays
Contact: Lee Ann Ellis LACE2@prodigy.net

East Texas Chapter (Longview)

<http://www.news-journal.com/community/groups/etexshh/>
Meets: 1st Saturday of the month except July, from 10:30A.M. – 12Noon
Location: 719 Standard Street, Longview, Tx.
Contact: Sandra Tankersley – sjbtank@internetwork.net (903) 938-7811

Fort Worth Chapter (Fort Worth)

Meets: 2nd Saturday from 10:00 to 11:30 A.M.
Location: 2501 Lipscomb St. Fort Worth, Tx.
Contact: Colleen Norton – musicitech@hotmail.com

High Plains Group (Amarillo)

Meets: 2nd Saturday of the month, 9:00 – 11:00 A.M.
Location: 1300 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, Texas
Contact: June Elliot, 4212 W. Hills Trail, Amarillo, Tx. 79106
JNElliot@webtv.net (806) 359-3559

Houston Chapter (Houston) <http://shhhoustonchapter.tripod.com/>

Meets: 2nd Saturday of the month at 7:00 P.M.
Where: St. Dominic's Deaf Center, 2401 Holcombe, Houston, Tx.
Contact: Ed Haddock, Co-President e_haddock@hotmail.com - (281) 820-5345
Mrs. Maurice Wilson mrwilson@pdq.net - (281) 497-2670 Fax & Phone

Permian Basin SHHH Group (Odessa)

covers Odessa, Midland, Andrews, Monahans, Bigsprings, etc.

Meets: 3rd Saturday from 10:00 – 11:30A.M.
Location: 620 North Alleghaney, Odessa, Tx. 2nd floor Board Room
Contact: Kim Hargus, President khrhbh@aol.com -
(915) 580-3297 home or (915) 550-2425 work
Aurelia Ann Warren – awarren@apex2000.net

San Antonio Chapter

Meets: 2nd Thursday of the month, except the month during the national convention.
Location: Methodist Transplant Hospital, 8026 Floyd Curl, San Antonio, Tx.
Contact: Amy Bosworth alb526@yahoo.com - (830)995-2821

South Plaains Group (Lubbock)

Meets: 2nd Saturday of the month from 10:00 A.M. – 12 Noon
Location: Life Run Center for Independent Living, 3212 34th St. Lubbock
Contact: Sonia Quintero, President - soquino@aol.com
June L. Marble - alhjlm@ttuhsc.edu

Southwest SHHH Group (El Paso)

Meets: 1st Saturday of the month from 9:00 – 11:00 A.M.
Location: 511 Executive Center
Contact: To be put on the mailing list contact El Paso Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (915) 532-2832
Florence E. Fowler (915) 532-2832
Pollie Johnson – polliej@earthlink.net

State Commission Information

Name: (TCDHH) Texas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Address: _____ P.O. Box 12904. Austin, Texas 78711

512-407-3250V 512-407-3281 TTY 512-451-0316 Fax

<http://www.tcdhh.state.tx.us>

Contact information:

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Margaret Susman, Office Administrator margaret.susman@tcdhh.state.tx.us

Randi Turner, ADA Information Coordinator randi.turner@tcdhh.state.tx.us

Vivian Cox, Administrative Staff vivian.cox@tcdhh.state.tx.us

List programs offered:___ **Communication Access**

Provided to persons who are deaf or hard of hearing for essential services and community participation. This service includes sign language or oral interpreters, and real-time captioning.

Information and Referral

Information and referral regarding deafness and/or hearing impairment is provided to all persons who inquire, regardless of hearing loss. Referrals are made to the appropriate sources for additional services and/or information in the local communities or where appropriate.

Hard of Hearing Services

For persons who are hard of hearing, late-deafened or oral deaf. Includes training, information, referral and adaptive equipment demonstrations provided by a hard of hearing specialist.

Senior Citizens Program (SCP)

Geared toward bridging the communication barriers and reducing the isolation facing persons who are deaf or hard of hearing, ages 60 or older. Services vary from area to area and may include coping skills training, independent living services, and recreational activities.

Early Intervention Program (EIP)

Funds various projects to identify individuals with possible hearing loss and provide information about available resources. Projects target high risk populations.

Communication Access Mentor Program

Funds projects through local service providers for advanced training opportunities for interpreters to upgrade their skills.

Regional Specialist Program

Funds projects through local service providers to assist state and local governments, organizations and private entities in making their services accessible and readily available to individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. The program also addresses attitudinal and cultural barriers of the target population which may hinder successful service delivery, provides information and referral services, and may provide training geared toward the needs of both the service population and the service providers.

Interpreter Outreach and training

Offers agency sponsored training opportunities for interpreters. Continuing Education Units (CEU's) for certification maintenance are awarded to participants in any approved training.

Camp SIGN

Camp SIGN is a week long summer program for children between the ages of 8 and 17 who are deaf or hard of hearing. The camp program is totally dependent on donated funding. Donations to TCDHH for the camp program are welcome throughout the year, and are tax deductible. Camp will be held July 22 - 28, 2001 at Camp Misty Meadows.

Certification of Deafness

Are consumers with hearing loss represented on the advisory council? _yes_
If yes, please list the names of the representatives:

Commissioners

Eva Williams, Chair	Pottsboro	1/31/2001	wil0900@attglobal.net
Dr. Paul Locus, Vice Chair	Austin	1/31/2005	
Robin Riccardi, Secretary	Shallowater	1/31/2003	wrenr1713@aol.com
Sue Hill	Arlington	1/31/2005	bscchill@compuserve.com
Jeffrey Jordan	Midland	1/31/2005	jjordan@mail.ci.midland.tx.u
Jean Matney	Ft. Worth	1/31/2001	jmatney@mail.tcu.edu
Myfe Moore	Helotes	1/31/2001	mwmasso@aol.com
Benna Timperlake	Corpus Christi	1/31/2003	bennat@aol.com

Technical Access Program (TAP) Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Information: _____

Programs offered: _____

Are consumers with hearing loss represented on the advisory council? _____

If yes, please list the names of the representatives: _____

Nearest Regional ADA Business Center Information

Name: ___SWBDTAC Southwest Disability and Business Technical Center

Address: _2323 S. Shepard Suite 1000 Houston, Tx. 77019

713-520-0232 V/TTY 713-520-5785 Fax

Contact information: ___Rachel Kosoy rksoy@ilru.org_

List programs offered:___

-Provides expert ADA trainings and technical assistance to businesses local governmental entities, and the public in general _____

-They also are a resource for numerous ADA related publications

Are consumers with hearing loss represented on the advisory council? _____

If yes, please list the names of the representatives: __They have a Hard of Hearing lawyer on staff ._____Melinda Doell_____

State Vocational Rehabilitation Offices Information

1. How many VR Offices are there in your state?_5 Regional and 131 local offices.

2. Texas Rehabilitation Commission regional Office Information can be located at <http://www.rehab.state.tx.us/offices.html>

3. Are consumers with hearing loss represented on the advisory council? _yes_____

If yes, please list the names of the representatives: _____

Ettalois Johnson and Malisa Janes_____

State Board of Hearing Aid Regulation Information

Name:_____

Address:_____

Contact information:_____

Are consumers with hearing loss represented on the advisory council? _____

If yes, please list the names of the representatives:_____

Relay Provider Information

***New Relay Number 711**

Name of the state relay provider/s: Sprint 1-800-676-3777_Relay Texas
Administrative Office address: Texas Public Utilities Commission, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Tx. 78711-3326 Fax 512-936-7138

Are consumers with hearing loss represented on the advisory council? yes

If yes, please list the names of the representatives: David Coco, Paula Adams Hernandez (represent SHHH)

<http://www.puc.state.tx.us/relay/index.cfm>

The Relay Texas Advisory Committee (RTAC) of the Public Utility Commission is a 15-member committee that receives ideas from the public to set goals for Relay Texas and make policy recommendations for future improvements and actions. The RTAC also advises the PUC as well as the Texas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing regarding the Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program

The Advisory Committee is made up of various fifteen individuals representing various disabilities, such as deaf, hard-of-hearing, speech-impaired, deaf-blind, mobility impaired, elderly, consumer and telephone industry personnel. The committee meets at least quarterly, in Austin. The following agencies make nominations to the RTAC:

Texas Deaf Caucus (TDC):	One deaf person.
Texas Association of the Deaf (TAD)	One deaf person.
Self Help for the Hard-of-Hearing (SHHH)	One hearing-impaired person.
American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)	One hearing-impaired person.
Texas Deaf/Blind Association (TDBA)	One deaf and blind person.
Coalition of Texans with Disabilities (CTD)	One speech-impaired person and one speech-impaired/hearing impaired person.
Texas Telephone Association (TTA)	One local exchange carrier representative and one telecom representative other than local exchange carrier.
Texas Commission for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing (TCDHH)	Two persons, at least one who is deaf and the other one should be knowledgeable about relay service..
Other Organizations representing telecommunications consumers	Two representatives.
Two Representatives	Two persons with disabilities other than

disabilities of hearing or speech, that impair the ability to effectively access the telephone network.

Relay Texas Advisory Committee Members

FY 98-99

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Consumers Union

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TCDHH

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TDC

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TAD

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Texas Rehabilitation Commission
Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and
Communication Disorders
512-424-4176 V/TDD
512-424-4523 TDD only
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eMail: Jack.clifton@rehab.state.tx.us
TCDHH

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CTD

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Please check additional services offered:

- ☒ 2 line VCO
- ☒ speech to speech

- ☒ video relay interpreting
- ☒ Spanish language
- ☒ Other(s), please specify - VCO and VCO to VCO

- 1-800-RELAYTX (TTY)
- 1-800-RELAYX1 (ASCII)
- 1-800-RELAYVV (Voice)
- 1-800-VCO1RTX (VCO)
- 1-800-662-4954 Spanish (relay, translation)
- 1-877-826-9348 Deaf/Blind(service defaulted to 15 words per minute)
- 1-877-826-6607 Speech-to-Speech
- 1-877-826-6608 Speech-to-Speech/VCO

The PUC administers Relay Texas, a program in which agents interpret telephone calls between people who can hear and those who are deaf, deaf-blind, hard-of-hearing or speech-disabled. In addition, the PUC and the Texas Commission for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing work together on the Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program to help persons with disabilities buy equipment to enable them to communicate over the phone.

Independent Living Centers Information

1. Number in state: 5 Regional Offices
2. Please attach a copy of the names and addresses to this form. Please attach a copy of the names and addresses to this form (asterisk those with HOH specialist on staff).

<p>Panhandle Action CIL Carl McMillen 1118 South Taylor Street Amarillo, TX 79101 (806) 374-1400 TTY: (806) 374-2774 FAX: (806) 374-4550 EMAIL: advocacy@tcac.net URL: none</p>
<p>Resource Utilization Network Executive Director 1001 West Tenth Avenue Amarillo, TX 79101 (806) 372-7556 TTY: (806) 372-7556</p>

FAX: (806) 372-2045

EMAIL: none

URL: none

Brazoria County CIL (Satellite)

Sandra Bookman

1101 D East Mulberry

Angleton, TX 77515

(979) 849-7060

TTY: (979) 849-7060

FAX: (979) 849-8465

EMAIL: bccil@neosoft.com

<http://www.barrier-freeliving.org>

Austin Resource CIL

Ronald Rocha

825 East Rundberg, Suite A-1

Austin, TX 78753

(512) 832-6349

TTY: (512) 832-1869

FAX: (512) 832-1869

EMAIL: arcil@bga.com

<http://www.arcil.com>

SETLIFE, Inc.

Nancy Comeaux

780 South Fourth Street

Beaumont, TX 77701

(409) 832-2599

TTY: (409) 832-2599

FAX: (409) 838-4499

EMAIL: setlife@sat.net

URL: none

VAIL (Satellite)

Executive Director

2685 North Corea

Brownsville, TX 78520

(956) 541-0468

TTY: none

FAX: (956) 541-6036

EMAIL: none

URL: none

Crockett Resource CIL

Executive Director

1020 Loop 304 East

Crockett, TX 75835

(936) 544-2811

TTY: (936) 544-2811
FAX: (936) 544-7315
EMAIL: crcil@sat.net
URL: none

REACH of Dallas Resource IL
Charlotte Stewart
8625 King George Drive, Suite 210
Dallas, TX 75235
(214) 630-4796
TTY: (214) 630-5995
FAX: (214) 630-6390
EMAIL: reachdallas@reachcils.org
<http://www.reachcils.org>

REACH of Denton Resource Center
Charlotte Stewart
405 South Elm, Suite 202
Denton, TX 76201
(940) 383-1062
TTY: (940) 383-1062
FAX: (940) 383-2742
EMAIL: reachden@gte.net
<http://www.reachcils.org>

VOLAR, Center for Independent Living
Luis Enrique Chew
8929 Viscount, Suite 101
El Paso, TX 79925
(915) 591-0800
TTY: (915) 591-0800
FAX: (915) 591-3506
EMAIL: volar1@volarcil.org
<http://www.volarcil.org>

REACH Resource Center
Charlotte Stewart
1205 Lake Street
Fort Worth, TX 76102
(817) 870-9082
TTY: (817) 870-9086
FAX: (817) 877-1622
EMAIL: reachftw@reachcils.org
<http://www.reachcils.org>

Houston CIL
Sandra Bookman
7000 Regency Square Blvd., Suite 160
Houston, TX 77036

(713) 974-4621
TTY: (713) 974-2703
FAX: (713) 974-6927
EMAIL: hcil@neosoft.com
<http://www.barrier-freeiving.org>

LIFE Independent Living Center
Ninon Haley
3212 34th
Lubbock, TX 79410
(806) 795-5433
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FAX: (806) 795-5607
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URL: none

VAIL
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McAllen, TX 78502
(956) 781-7733
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URL: none

A.B.L.E. Center for Independent Living
Jeri Kounce
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Odessa, TX 79761
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TTY: (915) 580-3439
FAX: (915) 580-0280
EMAIL: jerik4able@aol.com
<http://www.able-cil.org>

Palestine Resource Center
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421 Avenue A
Palestine, TX 75801
(903) 729-7505
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URL: none

SAILS
Julio Frausto
1028 South Alamo

San Antonio, TX 78210
(210) 281-1878
TTY: (210) 281-1878
FAX: (210) 281-1759
EMAIL: sails1@worldnet.att.net
<http://www.sails.org>

Austin Resource Center (Satellite)
Ronald Rocha
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San Marcos, TX 78666
(512) 396-5790
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EMAIL: arcil@bga.com
URL: none

Other State Agencies Information

Please attach a copy of the names, addresses, services provided and contact information to this form.

SILC - The Texas State Independent Living Council (known as the Texas SILC) is:

- federally mandated and independent of all state agencies
- a governor appointed non-profit council comprised of a diversified membership, with the majority being individuals with disabilities
- charged as an equal partner with the [Texas Rehabilitation Commission](#) and [Texas Commission for the Blind](#), in planning, development, approval and implementation of the State Plan for Independent Living

The Texas SILC leads, promotes and advances independent living philosophy and advocates for the rights of individuals with disabilities.

SILC CONTACT

- Phone: 512-371-7353
- Email: texsilc@texas.net
- <http://texsilc.home.texas.net/>

Advocacy Inc.

Other hearing loss consumer organizations with state sections

(e.g AGBell chapter; ALDA; NAD; CIA)

Please attach a copy of the names, addresses and contact information to this form.

AG Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing -

<http://members.tripod.com/~TommieGee/txchapteragb.htm>

TAD – Texas Association for the Deaf

Texas Association of the Deaf

P.O. Box 3570

Austin, Texas 78764-3570

For more information:

Email us at TADConf@aol.com

<http://www.deaftexas.org/>

Hearing related professional organizations in state

(e.g. State Audiology Academy, ASHA State Association)

Please attach a copy of the names, addresses and contact information to this form.

Texas Speech Language and Hearing Association - TSHA

1033 Los Posados Drive #220

Austin, Texas 78752-3880

512-452-4571 Fax: 512 454-3036

Other organizations with state sections

(e.g. AARP chapters)

Please attach a copy of the names, addresses and contact information to this form.

Senior Friends Their local offices are at the Clear Lake Medical Center, 500 Medical Center Blvd., Webster 77598. Web page "[www.clearlakermc.com/Senior Friends.asp](http://www.clearlakermc.com/Senior%20Friends.asp)", and e-mail Dee.Latiolais@HCAHealthcare.com. Dee is the manager.

AARP

Texas State Office
98 San Jacinto Boulevard
#750
Austin, TX 78701

Phone: 512-480-9797
Fax: 512-480-9799
TTY: 512-480-2439

The **AARP Southwest Regional Office** is a resource for AARP members in the states of [Arizona](#), [Arkansas](#), [Colorado](#), [Kansas](#), [Louisiana](#), [Missouri](#), [New Mexico](#), [Oklahoma](#), [Texas](#), and [Utah](#).

Southwest Regional Office
8144 Walnut Hill Lane, Suite
700 LB-39
Dallas, TX 75321

Phone: 214-265-4060
Fax: 214-265-4061
TTY: 214-265-4062

Hours:

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

Hearing loss organizations professional or consumer with headquarter in state

**Please attach a copy of the names, addresses and contact information to
this form.**

LEGISLATION INFORMATION

Please answer the following questions:

Does your state have a Lemon Law? _____

If Yes, does it include hearing aids? _____

If Yes, what is the name of the law? _____

If No, do you think such a law is necessary in your state? _____

Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced? _____

Does your state have an Infant Hearing Screening Law? __yes__

If Yes, what is the name of the law? __Statewide Infant Screening Program

Contact: Texas Department of Health Audiology Services (800) 422-2956

<http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/audio/audiology.htm>

Does your state have an ADA-like law? _____
If Yes, what is the name of the law? _____
If No, do you think such a law is necessary in your state? _____
Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced? _____

Does your state have a law that requires hearing aid insurance coverage for:
State Employees? _____
Children? _____
Everyone? _____
If Yes, what is the name of the law? _____
If No, do you think such a law is necessary in your state? _____
Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced? _____

Does your state have Medicaid provisions for hearing aids and/or cochlear implants? __yes_____
If Yes, what is the coverage? __for children through Texas Department of Health, Audiology Services _____
If No, do you think such provisions necessary in your state? _____
Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced under Medicaid? _____

Does your state require licensure of audiologists? __yes_____
If Yes, what are the conditions/requirements? __Masters Degree – Communicative Science Disorders, 375 Hrs of clinical experience – Pass PRAXIS Exam_ - waiver hrs ASHA CCCA rating_____
If No, do you think licensure is necessary in your state? _____
Would you be willing to work to get licensure introduced? _____

Does your state require licensure of hearing aid dealers? __yes_____
If Yes, what are the conditions? __High School - 150 hours of supervised training, written exam and practical exam and 1 year of supervised practice. 20hrs, ceu a year to renew
If No, do you think licensure is necessary in your state? _____

Would you be willing to work to get licensure introduced?_____

Does your state have a Hearing Aid Sales Regulation law?_____

If Yes, what is the name of the law?_____

If No, do you think such a law is necessary in your state?_____

Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced?_____

Does your state have a Equipment Distribution Programs law?__yes_____

If you do please answer the following questions:

What is the name of the law?__Specialized Telecommunication Assistance Program (STAP)

What products/services are offered?___Financial assistance to purchase telecommunication devices for deaf, HOH, deaf/ blind and disabled persons.

To whom are these products/services offered?_deaf HOH Deaf blind, Speech Impaired, mobility impaired_____

Who finances these services?__surcharge on phone bill – Universal Service Fund (Public Utilities Commission)

If not, do you think such a law is necessary in your state?_____

Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced?_____

Does your state have a law regarding captioning of movies?___No___

If Yes, what is the name of the law?_____

If No, do you think such a law is necessary in your state?_No_____

Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced?__Yes___

Does your state have Assistive Technology Low-Interest Financing Programs?_No_____

If Yes, what is the name of the law?_____

If No, do you think such a law is necessary in your state?_____

Would you be willing to work to get such a law introduced?_____

Does your state have a any other applicable laws?_____

If Yes, what is the name of the law(s)_____

If No, are there specific issues you would like to see mandated?_____

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Level V at 210 wpm, all with 96 percent accuracy. We currently have 22 certified CART providers in Texas; 3 Level I, 5 Level II, 6 Level III, 4 Level IV, and 4 Level V. The CART test is being administered this Saturday, June 23, in Fort Worth at our TCRA annual convention. 22 have enrolled to take the test, 8 of whom are already certified but attempting to achieve a higher level.

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What does the research focus on?_____

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What does the research focus on?_____

Assistive Technology Demonstration Centers

Number in state?_____

Name:_____

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There are 9 court reporting programs in Texas that are approved by the National Court Reporters Association. They are:

*Alvin Community College - Alvin

*Amarillo College - Amarillo

Arlington Career Institute - Grand Prairie

Brown Institute of Court Reporting and Business - Longview

*Court Reporting Institute of Dallas - Dallas

International Business College - Lubbock
Iverson Business School & Court Reporting - Arlington
Professional Career College - Richardson
Shirley Baker Career Institute - Houston

These nine colleges, to my knowledge, offer an Associate's of Applied Science degree in Court Reporting. The ones with asterisks have some CART training. It is also my understanding that most, if not all, because of their NCRA approval, require 40 hours of internship with working reporters. That can be split among court, deposition, or CART, or all used in the student's field of interest.

Northwood University in Cedar Hill (a suburb of Dallas) also has a court reporting program that offers a bachelor's degree. I visited their program about three years ago. They had eight students at that time, but I do not have any current information about their program.

In addition to CART training in the court reporting programs, the TCRA CART Foundation, which was started by the Texas Court Reporters Association, has annual CART trainings for both Certified Shorthand Reporters and court reporting students who are at their 180-200 wpm levels in school. TCDHH has helped sponsor our CART trainings, and we are currently under contract with TCDHH for CART mentoring. CART mentees attend CART assignments with certified CART providers for more one-on-one training to include writing skills and TV/projector hookup.

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E-mail Address: ctrptr@csi.com

Waco

Joe Crews, RMR, RDR
801 Washington Ave.; Ste. 403
Waco, TX 767011260
Daytime Telephone: (254) 753-8001
Fax Number: (254) 753-8395
E-mail Address: jcrews@earthlink.net

Other key resources in state

Please attach a copy of the names and addresses to this form.

Early Childhood Intervention

(800) 250-2246

Texas Education agency Services for the Deaf

(512) 463-9424

<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/deaf/>

Texas School for the Deaf and Educational Resource Center on Deafness

(800) 332-3873

Educational Resource Center on Deafness

1102 South Congress Avenue

P.O. Box 3538

Austin, Texas 78764-3538

512) 462-5329 V/TTY

1-800-DEAF-TSD (V/TTY message only)

ercod@tsd.state.tx.us

www.tsd.state.tx.us/ercod

Local Deaf & Hard of Hearing Contractors through TCDHH

REGION I

Panhandle Council f/t Deaf

CAS/IAC; SCP & STAP

1300 Wallace Boulevard
Amarillo, Texas 79106
806-359-1506 Voice/TTY
Fax: 806-359-7755
[E-Mail:sturkie@arn.net](mailto:sturkie@arn.net)

REGION II

West Texas Services f/t Deaf

CAS/IAC

Post Office Box 1136
Abilene, Texas 79604
915-676-4909 Voice/TTY
[E-Mail:larpoet@worldnet.att.net](mailto:larpoet@worldnet.att.net)

REGION III

Deaf Action Center

CAS/IAC; SCP; EIP & STAP

3115 Crestview Drive
Dallas, Texas 75235
214-521-0407 Voice/TTY
Fax: 214-521-3658
[E-Mail:administration@deafactioncentertexas.org](mailto:administration@deafactioncentertexas.org)
www.deafactioncentertexas.org

D.E.A.F., Inc.

SCP & IAC

554 South Summit, #319
Ft. Worth, Texas 76104
817-336-3323 Voice/TTY/Fax
[E-Mail:deafinc@flash.net](mailto:deafinc@flash.net)

Easter Seals

EIP

2100 Circle Drive
Ft. Worth, Texas 76119
817-536-8693 Voice

Goodrich Center f/t Deaf

SCP and IAC

2500 Lipscomb Street
Ft. Worth, Texas 76110

817-926-5305 Voice
817-926-4101
Fax: 817-921-9528
[E-Mail:GCDJOAN@aol.com](mailto:GCDJOAN@aol.com)

Merritt Interpreting Services

IAC

2301 North Akard, Suite 406
Dallas, Texas 75201
214-969-5585 Voice/TTY
Fax: 214-969-5592
[E-Mail: MERRITT.INTERPRETING_SERVICES@airmail.net](mailto:MERRITT.INTERPRETING_SERVICES@airmail.net)

REGION IV

East Texas Deaf and Hard of Hearing

CAS/IAC & RS

2003 Rickety Lane, Suite C
Tyler, Texas 75703
903-534-8111 Voice/TTY
Fax: 903-534-0460
[E-Mail:etdhh@lakecountry.net](mailto:etdhh@lakecountry.net)

REGION V

Johnson Interpreting Services

CAS/IAC & SCP

440 North 18th Street, Suite 3
Beaumont, Texas 77707
409-835-6084 Voice/TTY
Fax: 409-835-7425
[E-Mail:JIS@aol.com](mailto:JIS@aol.com)

REGION VI

DSG, Inc. d.b.a. Sign Shares

CAS/IAC

99 Detering, Suite 160
Houston, Texas 77007
713-869-4373 Voice/TTY
Fax: 713-869-8463

Hear-Say

SCP

7400 Harwin Drive, Suite 256
Houston, Texas 77036
713-917-0062 Voice/TTY
Fax: 713-953-9588

Nightingale Adult Day Center

CAS/IAC; SCP & STAP

5802 Holly Street

Houston, Texas 77074

713-981-1543 Voice/TTY

Fax: 713-995-6376

[E-Mail:adultdaycenter1@aol.com](mailto:adultdaycenter1@aol.com)

REGION VII

Central Texas Council f/t Deaf and Hard of Hearing

IAC & Mentor

Post Office Box 5656

Waco, Texas 76708

254-754-4247 Voice

254-754-3323 TTY

Fax: 254-299-8747

[E-Mail:CTCDHH@mcc.cc.tx.us](mailto:CTCDHH@mcc.cc.tx.us)

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Coalition of Texans with Disabilities

STAP

316 West 12th St., Suite 405

Austin, Texas 78701

512-478-3366 Voice/TTY

Fax: 512-478-3370

[Website: www.cotwd.org](http://www.cotwd.org)

Communication Access Interpreting Services

IAC

3501 South Texas, Suite 106

Bryan, Texas 77802

979-775-8500 Voice/TTY

Fax: 979-775-8300

[E-Mail:jeri@lcc.net](mailto:jeri@lcc.net)

Easter Seals Central Texas, Inc.

EIP

919 West 281/2 Street

Austin, Texas 78705

512-478-2581 Voice

Fax: 512-476-1638

CSD of Texas

IAC & HoH

1524 S. IH 35, Suite 315
Austin, Texas 78704-2603
512-837-8030 Voice
512-837-1411 TTY
Fax: 512-837-1444

Travis County Services f/t Deaf

CAS/IAC; SCP & Mentor

2201 Post Road, Room 100
Austin, Texas 78704
512-473-9205 Voice
512-473-9210 TTY
Fax: 512-473-9289
[E-Mail: Deborah.Drummond@co.travis.tx.us](mailto:Deborah.Drummond@co.travis.tx.us)

REGION VIII

Alamo Hearing Impaired Senior Citizens

SCP

307 Marshall Street, #104
San Antonio, Texas 78212
210-222-2567 TTY
Fax: 210-354-2711
[E-Mail:AHISC@IDWorld.net](mailto:AHISC@IDWorld.net)

Corpus Christi Area Council f/t Deaf for Victoria

CAS/IAC

5151 McArdle Road
Corpus Christi, Texas 78411
361-993-1154 Voice/TTY
Fax: 361-993-4271
[E-Mail:DEAFCCTX@aol.com](mailto:DEAFCCTX@aol.com)

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center

HoH, RS, Adv. & STAP

2100 McCullough
San Antonio, Texas 78212
210-734-3323 Voice/TTY
Fax: 210-734-8318
[E-Mail: deafcntr@texas.net](mailto:deafcntr@texas.net)
[Website:http://www.dhhc.org](http://www.dhhc.org)

S.A.I.L.S.

STAP

1028 S. Alamo, Suite 1
San Antonio, Texas 78210
210-281-1878 Voice/TTY
Fax: 210-281-1759

Services by Vital Signs, Inc.

CAS/IAC

11031 Wye Drive, Suite 108
San Antonio, Texas 78217
210-590-7446 Voice/TTY
Fax: 210-590-7203

[E-Mail:Michela@vitalsigns.cc](mailto:Michela@vitalsigns.cc)

<http://www.vitalsigns.cc>

Texas Interpreters Fellowship

IAC

5811 Woodcraft
San Antonio, Texas 78218
210-666-2123 Voice/TTY
Fax: 210-661-7627

[E-Mail:tifsa@txdirect.net](mailto:tifsa@txdirect.net)

REGION IX

Highland Council f/t Deaf

CAS/IAC, SCP & STAP

Post Office Box 1935
Big Spring, Texas 79720
1-800-759-7038 Voice only
915-267-6779 Voice/TTY
Fax: 915-267-6268

[E-Mail:hcd@crcom.net](mailto:hcd@crcom.net)

REGION X

El Paso Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Inc.<

CAS/IAC

511 Executive Center Blvd.
El Paso, Texas 79902
915-544-6032 Voice/TTY
Fax: 915-544-6539

[E-Mail:epcdhh@whc.net](mailto:epcdhh@whc.net)

REGION XI

A Sign Language Company

CAS/IAC; Mentor & Adv.

1520 Dove Boulevard

McAllen, Texas 78501

956-782-7405 Voice/TTY

1-800-YOURTTY

Fax: 956-668-8465

[E-Mail:ASLCom@aol.com](mailto:ASLCom@aol.com)

Corpus Christi Area Council f/t Deaf

CAS/IAC & SCP

5151 McArdle Road

Corpus Christi, Texas 78411

361-993-1154 Voice/TTY

Fax: 361-993-4271

[E-Mail:DEAFCCTX@aol.com](mailto:DEAFCCTX@aol.com)

V.A.I.L., Inc.

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Post Office Box 5035

McAllen, Texas 78502

956-781-7733 Voice/TTY

Fax: 956-781-7735

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