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TSTA on Patrick “plan”

Texas State Teachers Association President Noel Candelaria issued the following statement today:

“Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick’s sudden, newfound interest in teachers and retired teachers is as hollow as the governor’s \$1,000 teacher pay raise because neither is willing to make a genuine commitment to investing state funds in public education. During their tenure in Austin, the state’s share of education funding has slipped to only 38 percent, and Texas taxpayers know better than to trust a politician who says the lottery is going to pay for it.

“Every teacher and education retiree has earned and deserves a real pay raise, paid for with real state dollars, not a mythical, pie-in-the-sky promise.”