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### **Rep. Isaac Condemns City of San Marcos SB 4 Amicus Brief**

DRIPPING SPRINGS — Rep. Jason Isaac (R-Dripping Springs) today issued a letter opposing the City of San Marcos’ decision to file an amicus brief in a lawsuit opposing provisions of state law put in place by Senate Bill 4.

“Although this law has been vilified in the media, the facts reveal that SB 4 is a reasonable measure to ensure truly violent criminals are kept off our streets,” Rep. Isaac said in a letter to Mayor John Thomaides and city council members.

State law under the provisions of SB 4 requires law enforcement entities to honor ICE detainers for “criminal aliens” — those who have committed serious crimes while in the United States illegally. The law does not target or affect people who have entered the United States illegally but are otherwise productive and law-abiding members of society.

Data from the Texas Department of Public Safety reveal 462 homicide convictions, 24,680 assault convictions, 2,644 sexual assault convictions, and 226 kidnapping convictions among criminal aliens in the five-year period between 2011 and 2016. Had detainers not been honored in these cases, these criminals would have been released and potentially re-offend.

“I urge you to reconsider this decision and join the State of Texas in its commitment to uphold the rule of law,” Rep. Isaac concluded.

Rep. Isaac is a fourth-generation native Texan who has served House District 45 since 2011. He is the vice president of the Texas Conservative Coalition, the conservative caucus in the Texas Legislature, and founding chair of the Hill Country Caucus. He is proud to represent Hays and Blanco counties and lives in Drippings Springs with his wife, Carrie, and two sons.