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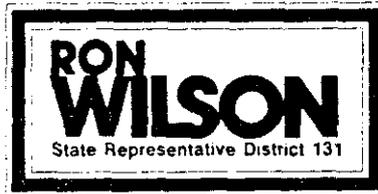
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**Opinion Committee**

The Honorable Dan Morales  
Attorney General of Texas  
Price Daniel, Sr. Building  
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear General Morales:

As chairman of the House Committee on Liquor Regulation, I am requesting your opinion on the following questions:

1. Is the board of directors of the Texas High-Speed Rail Authority, created by Article 6674v.2, Revised Statutes, constitutionally composed? (Specifically, does the composition of the board meet the requirements of Article XVI, Section 30a, of the Texas Constitution? In answering these questions, you may want to consider whether the initial "appointments" to Places 3 and 4 on the board, as required by the Texas High-Speed Rail Act, violate Article III, Section 56, of the Texas Constitution.)

2. May initial appointees to the board, pursuant to Section 2, Chapter 1104, Acts of the 71st Legislature, Regular Session, 1989, "exchange" terms after they have chosen terms under that section?

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you need any further information about this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Wilson".

Ron Wilson