

TEXAS SOVEREIGNTY DEFENSE ACT

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Already written. Ready Day 1.

Texas border. Texas troops. Texas rules.

No more watching. Texas takes control.

One bill. Eight historic wins for 100% Texas Sovereignty.

1. Invocation of the Invasion Clause

I will immediately invoke the Invasion Clause of the U.S. Constitution to declare the ongoing border crisis an invasion. This empowers Texas to defend our sovereignty independently with **full deployment of Texas National Guard, State Guard, and DPS** directly to the riverbank to repel the invasion, stop drugs, cartels, trafficking, and fentanyl.

2. Riverbank Enforcement

Texas troops on the riverbank Day 1. All razor wire, buoys, and barriers declared permanent. Removal is a felony. Full arrest authority — end catch-and-release on Texas taxpayers.

3. Nullification of Conflicting Federal Orders

Federal stand-down orders ignored unless ratified by 2/3 of the Texas Legislature. Texas will detain, deport where authorized, penalize sanctuary policies, and nullify undermining federal rules.

4. Maximum Texas Cooperation for Removal of Illegal Immigrants

Texas will use every lawful authority to identify, detain, and transfer illegal immigrants to federal custody for removal. All state agencies, local governments, and law-enforcement entities shall fully cooperate with ICE and federal immigration authorities. State and local policies that limit or obstruct cooperation with federal removal efforts are prohibited. Priority shall be given to criminal illegal immigrants and recent border crossers, while maximizing overall removals through jail holds, information sharing, benefits screening, and every other available state tool. The Governor shall direct the creation of dedicated task forces and public reporting on the number of illegal immigrants Texas helps remove.

5. End Federal Dependency Grants — 100% Texas Control

Texas rejects all strings-attached federal grants to TPWD and core agencies (Pittman-Robertson, Dingell-Johnson, State Wildlife Grants, etc.). No more D.C. micromanagement or distorted science. TPWD operates on pure Texas funding — licenses, Sporting Goods Sales Tax, park revenues, and dedicated accounts. This trims bureaucratic fat and restores honest Texas priorities.

6. Texas Fisheries & Waterways Reclaimed

We assert maximum authority over inland waters, bays, and our historic 9-mile Gulf boundary. TPWD will open responsible, sustainable commercial harvest for high-value native species — with all license fees, permits, and related revenues remaining 100% dedicated to TPWD operations per existing Texas law. This creates jobs and new revenue for Texans, reduces reliance on federal grants, and directly supports enhanced enforcement, habitat restoration, and the economic opportunities in the **Texas Freedom Act**. Full audit of historical data and practical fish passages where needed.

7. Border Reimbursement with Texas Leadership

We aggressively finish the border wall using available federal reimbursements for our \$11+ billion investment first — because that is demanding our money back from federal failure — while Texas keeps full operational control. This is accountability, not dependency.

8. Texas State Guard (TXSG) Maximization and Specialized Readiness

The Texas State Guard shall be maximized to the fullest extent authorized by Texas and federal law as a pure state defense force under sole Texas command.

- Hard physical fitness, professional military education, and accountability standards shall be established and enforced so the force is mission-ready for sustained operations.
- The TXSG shall receive first-call priority for Texas emergencies, including ground search-and-rescue, urban search-and-rescue, and advanced water rescue.
- Specialized capabilities shall be maintained and resourced, including security support/military police units, advanced medical units, wildland firefighting support, enhanced urban search-and-rescue teams, and advanced water rescue beyond basic boat operations.
- Existing certifications held by members (law-enforcement, medical, firefighting, and related skills) shall be actively utilized in support roles rather than sidelined.
- Specialized units shall not be allowed to fizzle out or be disbanded solely for temporary “lack of need.” Periodic readiness reviews and integration into state emergency and border support plans are required.

- Expanded, sustained border support roles (logistics, medical, riverine operations, observation, force protection, and related missions) shall be prioritized, building on existing Operation Lone Star contributions.
- Trained civil-disturbance capability shall be maintained for genuine emergencies when local authorities are overwhelmed, consistent with the governor's constitutional authority.
- The Texas Military Department shall prioritize available state funding for TXSG specialized training, equipment, and readiness.
- After-action reviews are required following major activations to identify and correct under-utilization.
- The Texas State Guard is authorized and encouraged to form training partnerships with the Texas A&M Forest Service, state medical agencies, and local first responders.

All of the above remains within the legal character of a state defense force: pure state control, non-federalizable, and focused on assistance to civil authorities, homeland security support, and state emergencies.

Right now — in 2026 — the invasion has cost Texas lives, safety, and over \$11 billion while flooding our state with drugs and crime. Past leadership spent billions to watch. My administration ends the watching on Day 1.

This Act ties directly to the **Texas Sovereignty & Influence Shield Act** (banning foreign land ownership near critical infrastructure) and the **Texas Freedom Act**. Revenue from the **Freedom Fund** (coastal development, responsible new opportunities, efficiency gains) boosts enforcement and property tax relief — no new taxes.

Security-positive | Sovereignty-first | Government-shrinking | Texas-first

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“Reclaim 1836: Cultivating A Stronger, Freer Texas”

Sources:

[1] U.S. CBP nationwide encounters data (FY 2021–2026 YTD: over 10M).

[2] Texas Comptroller/Texas Tribune reports on Operation Lone Star costs (~\$11B total).

[3] Texas state surplus/funds available for border (2025-2026 budget estimates).