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Senator Robert Nichols

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Nichols meets with local superintendents

Hemphill -- Sen. Robert Nichols (R-Jacksonville) met with local superintendents from Shelby county. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss education issues in preparation for the 85th Legislature which convenes in January.

"The Legislature faces many challenges this session, and we cannot make good decisions unless we are listening closely to those we represent," said Nichols. "Education is and always will be one of the most important issues we face as a state."

Before each legislative session Nichols meets with each of the school district Superintendents in Senate District 3 to listen to their priorities and discuss issues facing the local education community.

"We appreciate Senator Nichols taking the time to meet and discuss issues that are important to our school districts. Time and time again, Senator Nichols has proven he will make decisions that best meets the needs of all students he represents," said James Hockenberry, Center ISD Superintendent and host of the meeting. "Senator Nichols is a courageous leader and stands strong against legislation deemed harmful to the students and schools under his jurisdiction."

Senate District 3, which includes over 100 school districts throughout 19 counties, encompasses the greater part of East Texas and Montgomery County.

"These meetings help me to understand how decisions in Austin impact local schools," stated Nichols. "I appreciate the opportunity to meet with superintendents and discuss how we can continue improving our education system. Our combined goal is to ensure children have the educational tools they need to be successful."

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Photo L-R: Center ISD Superintendent James Hockenberry, Shelbyville ISD Superintendent Dr. Ray West, Senator Robert Nichols, Tenaha ISD Superintendent Scott Tyner, Joaquin ISD Superintendent Phil Worsham, Excelsior ISD Superintendent Johnny Lewis