

Corporate Political Spending in Texas, 2020-21

Key Takeaways

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- 86 companies in the Fortune 250 contributed \$5.9 million to candidates seeking office in the Texas legislature in 2020-21.
- Seven companies gave more than \$100,000 to sponsors and cosponsors of SB 8:

Company	Cosponsors	Primary Sponsors	Total to SB 8	% of all Texas \$ by company
AT&T	\$144,366	\$146,676	\$291,042	53%
Charter Communications	\$89,000	\$130,500	\$219,500	61%
Berkshire Hathaway	\$69,050	\$59,500	\$128,550	53%
Exelon	\$60,500	\$63,500	\$124,000	56%
UnitedHealth Group	\$68,000	\$53,000	\$121,000	53%
Union Pacific	\$42,000	\$67,000	\$109,000	43%
Chevron	\$68,500	\$37,000	\$105,500	50%

- Nine politicians who were primary sponsors of SB 8 each received more than \$100,000:

NELSON, JANE	Senate District 8	\$	263,750
TAYLOR, LARRY	Senate District 11	\$	195,752
CREIGHTON, CHARLES BRANDON	Senate District 4	\$	167,002
HUGHES, D BRYAN	Senate District 1	\$	142,750
LUCIO JR, EDDIE	Senate District 27	\$	139,928
BUCKINGHAM, DAWN C	Senate District 24	\$	131,751
BIRDWELL, BRIAN	Senate District 22	\$	130,751
PERRY, CHARLES	Senate District 28	\$	126,000
KOLKHORST, LOIS	Senate District 18	\$	122,000

- Two cosponsors of SB 8 in its House version also received more than \$100,000:

PRICE IV, WALTER (FOUR)	House District 87	\$	122,500
PADDIE, CHRIS	House District 9	\$	109,003

More detail on SB 8 and its sponsors and politicians who voted in its favor appears [here](#).