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To: Interested Parties
From: Bob Wickers and Bryan Sanders
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Re: **TEXAS POLL: DAN PATRICK CLEAR FRONTRUNNER IN GOP FIELD FOR U.S. SENATE**

Dresner Wickers Barber Sanders conducted a statewide survey June 4-5, 2011 among 450 Texans both registered and considered likely to vote in the Republican primary election for U.S. Senate. What follows are the key findings of this survey.

Dan Patrick starts a campaign for U.S. Senate with a significant lead over each of the announced Republican candidates

Dan Patrick	19%
Tom Leppert	11
Roger Williams	6
Elizabeth Ames Jones	4
Ted Cruz	2
Not sure/Refused	58

Dan Patrick has double-digit leads over each of the announced Republican candidates among self-identified conservatives and Tea Party members

% of Electorate >	Total (100%)	Conservatives (82%)	Tea Party members (13%)
Dan Patrick	19%	20%	25%
Tom Leppert	11	9	7
Roger Williams	6	6	5
Elizabeth Ames Jones	4	4	5
Ted Cruz	2	2	7
Not sure/Refused	58	58	52

Dan Patrick easily defeats Ted Cruz in a GOP runoff for U.S. Senate

% of Electorate >	Total (100%)	Conservatives (82%)	Tea Party members (13%)
Dan Patrick	29%	31%	35%
Ted Cruz	6	5	12
Not sure/Refused	64	64	53

Conclusions

Dan Patrick's conservative leadership in the State Senate and his years as a conservative talk radio host in Texas' biggest markets has given him relatively high name ID, favorability, and a strong base of support among Republican primary voters. Patrick starts a campaign for U.S. Senate the clear frontrunner against a field of announced Republican candidates who have been campaigning for months, and in some cases years, for the office. He holds double-digit leads among conservatives (82% of the electorate) and Tea Party members (13% of the electorate). Patrick's base of support and his conservative record – which matches up well with Texas' conservative GOP primary electorate – make him a formidable contender to be the next U.S. Senator from Texas should he decide to enter the race.

About Dresner Wickers Barber Sanders: Over the past 20 years, Dresner Wickers Barber Sanders has conducted research, polling, and media production and placement for Republicans such as Gov. Mike Huckabee (AR), Gov. Robert Bentley (AL), Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst (TX), Attorney General Jon Bruning (NE), among many others.