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Legislative Package for the Protected Corporations Act Submitted to Texas Lawmakers

[San Marcos, Texas] – The legislative package for the **Protected Corporations Act (PCA)** has been submitted to key Texas lawmakers, including **State Senator Judith Zaffirini (Senate District 21)**, **State Representative Erin Zwiener (House District 45)**, **Senate Committee on Business & Commerce Chair Senator Charles Schwertner**, **House Committee on Business & Industry Chair Representative Oscar Longoria**, and **Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives Dade Phelan**.

The **Protected Corporations Act** introduces a corporate structure that measures success not just by profits but by **integrity and fairness**. Designed to position Texas as a leader in corporate reform, it incorporates **innovative mechanisms** that align stakeholder interests while setting the standard for responsible business practices. These include **employee representation on the board**, **caps on CEO pay**, the inclusion of the company's **market value on the balance sheet**, and a **proprietary stock exchange** requiring a 10-day holding period after auctioning fully verified shares.

Addressing Key Corporate Governance Challenges

The **PCA** solves several critical challenges in corporate governance, such as:

- **Lack of Accountability:** By mandating employee representation and capping CEO pay, the PCA ensures corporate leadership is accountable to both employees and shareholders.
- **Short-term Speculation:** A proprietary stock exchange with a 10-day holding period prevents harmful short-term market manipulation and encourages sustainable investment.
- **Opaque Financial Reporting:** The inclusion of the company's **market value on the balance sheet** increases transparency and allows stakeholders to understand a company's true value.

Who Benefits from the PCA?

- **Employees** gain a stronger voice through board representation and benefit from fairer compensation.
- **Shareholders** are protected from market volatility and manipulation, and can invest with confidence.
- **Communities** will see more responsible corporate behavior, with companies focusing on sustainable and ethical growth.

This legislative package, now in the hands of **Senator Zaffirini**, **Representative Zwiener**, **Senator Schwertner**, **Representative Longoria**, and **Speaker Phelan**, is set to advance Texas as the gold standard in corporate governance and ethical business practices.

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