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Americans for Prosperity Applauds U.S. Senate Candidate Roger Williams

-Signs No Climate Tax Pledge-

AUSTIN—The Texas chapter of the free market grassroots group Americans for Prosperity (AFP-TX) today applauded U.S. Senate candidate Roger Williams for signing the group’s “No Climate Tax Pledge.” Williams joins more than [530 lawmakers and candidates](#) across the country on the federal, state and local levels are pledging to “**oppose any legislation relating to climate change that includes a net increase in government revenue.**”

“The one thing elected officials should all be able to agree on is that global warming shouldn’t be used as an excuse to hike taxes on citizens and businesses,” said AFP-TX State Director Peggy Venable. “We encourage all of Texas’s elected officials and candidates for elected office to sign.”

Texas signers include: Governor Rick Perry; more than a dozen U.S. representatives; Railroad Commission Chairman Michael Williams; as well as numerous state lawmakers and candidates.

“Using the guise of climate change to transfer dollars from hard-working citizens to bureaucratic big government is unacceptable,” said Venable. “Regardless of their stance on global warming, this should be common ground for all of our elected officials at all levels of government.”

The pledge is available online at www.NoClimateTax.com. AFP does not endorse candidates. All elected officials and candidates are encouraged to sign the pledge and go on the record in opposition to using the climate change issue to increase taxes and grow the size of government.

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