



Matt Shaheen: Trump's Bluster... and His Blunder ***Shaheen's failed approach fails Collin County families***

Matt Shaheen didn't just accept Donald Trump as his party leader, he internalized Trump as a role model. Throughout the State Capitol Shaheen is known for vicious attacks against respected media organizations, mean spirited twitter rants, blocking important legislation out of spite, and not much else. At one point, Shaheen helped organize and carry out legislative petty political revenge that killed over 100 common-sense, bipartisan bills in the Texas House -- a blatant political move designed to punish mainstream Texas Republicans at odds with a Trump-style takeover of the GOP.

Shaheen's destructive style may do real harm to District 66 voters but has kept him tight with deep pocketed special interest groups to keep his campaign funded. Shaheen is bankrolled with hundreds of thousands of dollars in out-of-district campaign donations made by some of Texas' most ideologically divisive forces. Here's how he's done their bidding:

- **Irresponsible Healthcare Stances:** Matt Shaheen supports [repeal of the Affordable Care Act \(ACA\)](#) that provides Texans with pre-existing conditions access to quality, affordable healthcare and prescription drugs. While working to dismantle the ACA, Shaheen [supports Trump-Republican proposals to block the expansion of healthcare](#) for over 1 million Texans.¹
- **Trump-like affiliations:** Matt Shaheen has been aligned with some of Texas' most far-right organizations including the Texas Freedom Caucus, Empower Texans and even [earned a top legislative rating from an anti-vaccine fringe group](#) that endangers Texas children.²
- **Votes against Texas children:** Matt Shaheen has voted to cripple public schools and put vulnerable children at risk. Shaheen [voted for private school vouchers that would shift millions of dollars away](#) from local neighborhood public schools and give it to unaccountable private local schools. While attacking strong public schools, Shaheen [has also failed to take action to fix Texas' broken foster](#)

¹ [2014 iVoter Guide; HB 1, Amendment 72 \(86R\) RV 107](#)

² [Texas Freedom Caucus](#); Texas Ethics Commission; [Texans for Vaccine Choice](#)

[care system](#) that has put Texas children [at risk of abuse, neglect and even death](#).

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³ [SB1, Amendment 8 \(85R\), RV165; HB 1, Amendment 42 \(84R\) RV 120; Austin American Statesman](#)