

## **Proposed Script #1:**

**Hello, my name is [Your Name], and I'm a resident of [Your City or Zip Code].**

I'm calling in support of Panhandle PBS and to urge Representative [Last Name] to protect public media funding that would be impacted by a proposed amendment to Senate Bill 1.

This Amendment E890406 would ban any investment in, sponsorship of, donation to, or services for media outlets—particularly those that operate TV or radio broadcasts, whether national or local. This would directly harm public and university-affiliated stations like Panhandle PBS that serve Texas communities and provide hands-on experience for students.

Panhandle PBS provides free educational resources for homeschool educators and school teachers for grades K-12. The station transmits emergency messaging for national disasters and weather events across 26 Panhandle counties. And, it is the last locally-owned television station in the Panhandle, so it tells stories that other media outlets aren't able to.

Again, please support Panhandle PBS and public media in the state of Texas. Thank you for your time.

## **Proposed Script #2:**

**Hello, my name is [Your Name] and I live and vote in your district. I am also a proud supporter of Panhandle PBS, my local PBS station.**

I'm calling in support of Panhandle PBS and to urge Representative [Last Name] to support public media funding that would be impacted by a proposed amendment to Senate Bill 1 that would prohibit state agencies of higher education from using state-appropriated funds to support nonprofit media organizations.

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Panhandle PBS is essential to my community because I can find in-depth reporting on serious issues such as water and food insecurity in our region. The station supports the arts, educators and organizations doing good work here by giving them a voice. They provide hands-on experience to media students at Amarillo College and transmit emergency messaging for national disasters and weather events across 26 Panhandle counties.

I urge you to help protect this vital community resource.

Thank you for your time and for your service to our state.