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## Resolution on “CSCOPE” Curriculum Program

Whereas grassroots activists discovered an unauthorized and unaccountable program designed by the Texas Education Service Centers Curriculum Collaborative known as (“CSCOPE”), and

Whereas the Senate Committee on Education held investigational hearing on CSCOPE, and

Whereas the curriculum referred to the original “Boston Tea Party” participants as “terrorists”, and

Whereas the curriculum gave much more curriculum time and space to Islam compared to any other major world religion, and

Whereas CSCOPE promoted communism as a superior system to free market capitalism, and

Whereas CSCOPE had no mention of American Exceptionalism as required by state education standards, and

Whereas CSCOPE, as an activity, had students imagine they were in a new communist country and to design a new flag for that country, and

Whereas the financial structure of CSCOPE is not well known, and

Whereas CSCOPE had zero external review until activists became involved, and

Whereas Parents were prevented from reviewing content and Teachers and Administrative staff were prohibited from sharing content in direct violation of Texas Education Code 26.006, therefore

Be it Resolved by the State Republican Executive Committee that the Republican Party of Texas urges the legislature to formally by statute require immediate transparency on all issues, including curriculum and finances of Texas Education Service Centers Collaborative, and be it further

Resolved that CSCOPE be placed under explicit review and authority of the State Board of Education, and be it further

Resolved that the State Board of Education be provided a modest staff under their complete control for the purpose of reviewing CSCOPE materials, and be it further

Resolved that the Texas Legislature should prohibit the expenditure of any public funds by a political subdivision of the State of Texas to the Texas Education Service Centers Collaborative.

This resolution was passed by the State Republican Executive Committee on March 2, 2013