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**Statement from Rep. Brian Harrison and Rep. Matt Schaefer on
the Invasion on the Southern Border and Call for Immediate
Special Session**

Mexican cartels are killing tens of thousands of Americans with deadly Chinese-sourced fentanyl, and they are in complete control of the border. To combat the economic, public health, and national security crisis President Biden has created at our border, resulting in unprecedented loss of life and property, and the invasion of what is estimated to be greater than 10 million illegal crossings – including from human traffickers, cartels, gangs, and persons on the terror watch list – Texas must do everything in our power to lock down the border ourselves. While we appreciate Governor Abbott’s efforts to date, more is required. Texas must use every tool at our disposal to repel this invasion. As authors of the most serious bills to secure the border this session including the Border Protection Unit Act and the Texas Title 42 Act, which were killed by the House, we are respectfully asking Governor Abbott to use every state and federal constitutional authority he has to stop the invasion and deport illegal migrants and to call the Legislature back immediately to provide additional legislative authorities and tools so that Texas can save our state and America from the Biden Border Crisis.

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