



## **Chief Economist**

### **Focus Areas:**

State budget, state spending, state revenues, taxes, appropriations, cost of state programs, and state school finance system

### **Responsibilities:**

- Provide fiscal policy information to members of the legislature and staff (testimony, informal meetings, and conference presentations); and make policy recommendations where appropriate
- Write policy analyses on budget, finance and tax-related issues
- Write commentaries on budget, finance and tax-related issues
- Oversee financial side of school finance research
- Analyze financial implications of proposed legislation
- Maintain the Foundation's econometric model and facilitate use of model by legislative offices
- Develop and direct economic research by independent contractors
- Develop and maintain relationships with state organizations to secure data for the Foundation's research
- Work with the Legislative Budget Board, Comptroller's Office and State Auditor's Office (obtaining information and peer review)
- Represent the Foundation in organizational meetings, and in interviews with print and electronic media
- Serve as invited speaker for local and state organizations
- Participate in the development of Foundation research agendas, grant requests, etc.
- And other duties as assigned by the President

### **Qualifications:**

- Doctorate in economics, or comparable work experience
- Demonstrated support of free market principles
- Knowledge of the Texas Legislature, legislative processes, state budget, state tax system, state revenues, state agencies and state school finance
- Experience with econometric modeling and financial projections
- Established relationships with Texas agencies and Texas data resources
- Familiarity with Texas policy environment
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively in small workplace
- Ability to articulately advocate Foundation principles to legislature, media and general public through frequent interviews, speaking engagements, and testimony

### **Please send salary requirement, references and resume to:**

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