



Nestled on 700 acres just outside of Austin, the Hyatt Regency Lost Pines will serve as the backdrop for *Capital Campus Texas*.

Participation In Capital Campus

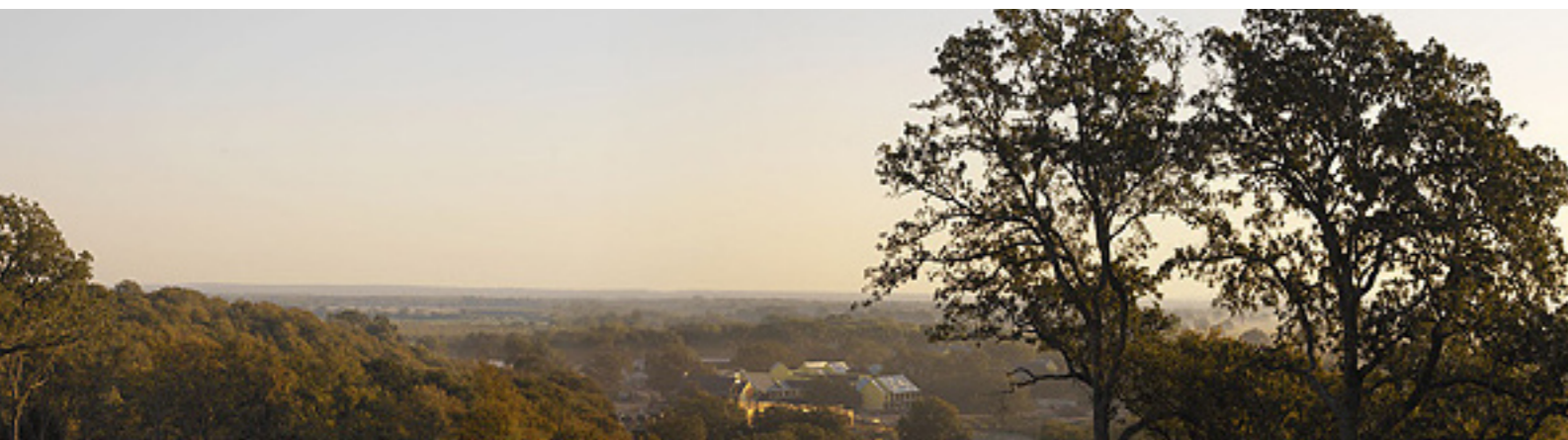
Participants in *Capital Campus Texas* will be selected through a competitive application process for a limited number of seats. All legislative, executive, and leadership staff, as well as state agency staff are eligible to participate and encouraged to apply. Program tuition and accommodations will be provided by *Capital Campus Texas*.

Capital Campus students will learn from the best academic minds in public policy in an intimate setting that focuses on education, discussion, and application of ideas to the issues facing Texas.

As a part of the inaugural Capital Campus 2007 class, participants are expected to engage in class discussions and attend the entire Capital Campus event.

Application and Selection Timeline

- August 20 Applications Available
- September 14 Applications are due back to the Texas Public Policy Foundation
- October 1 Capital Campus Selections Announced
- October 23-24 *Capital Campus Texas* at the beautiful Hyatt Lost Pines Resort near Bastrop



BECAUSE IDEAS MATTER

Capital Campus brings seasoned scholars and practitioners to state capitals around the country to educate policy makers about the workings of our market economy.

This university-based program lends an academic approach to important state policy questions and works to bridge the often distinct worlds of theory and practice.

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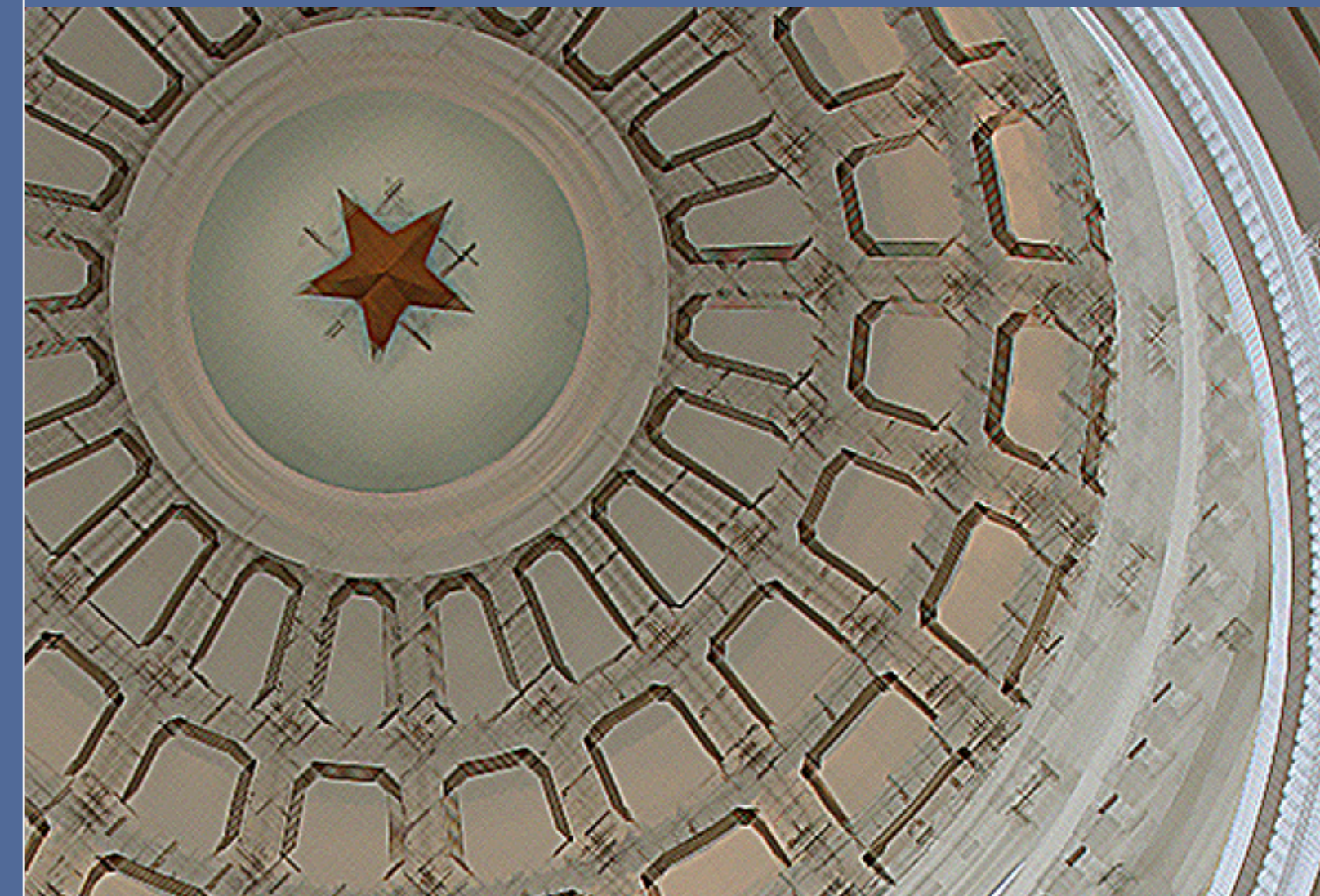
The Texas Public Policy Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit, non-partisan research institute guided by the core principles of individual liberty, personal responsibility, private property rights, free markets and limited government. The Foundation's mission is to improve Texas by generating academically sound research and data on state issues, and by recommending the findings to opinion leaders, policy makers, the media and general public. The Texas Public Policy Foundation is providing the ideas that enable policy makers to chart that new course.

Mercatus Center at George Mason University

The mission of the Mercatus Center at George Mason University is to develop insights and tools that can sustainably advance a free and prosperous civil society. The Mercatus Center is a 501(c)3 non-profit research organization that works with scholars, policy experts, and government officials to connect academic learning and real world practice. The Mercatus Center is located at George Mason University's Law School in Arlington, Virginia.

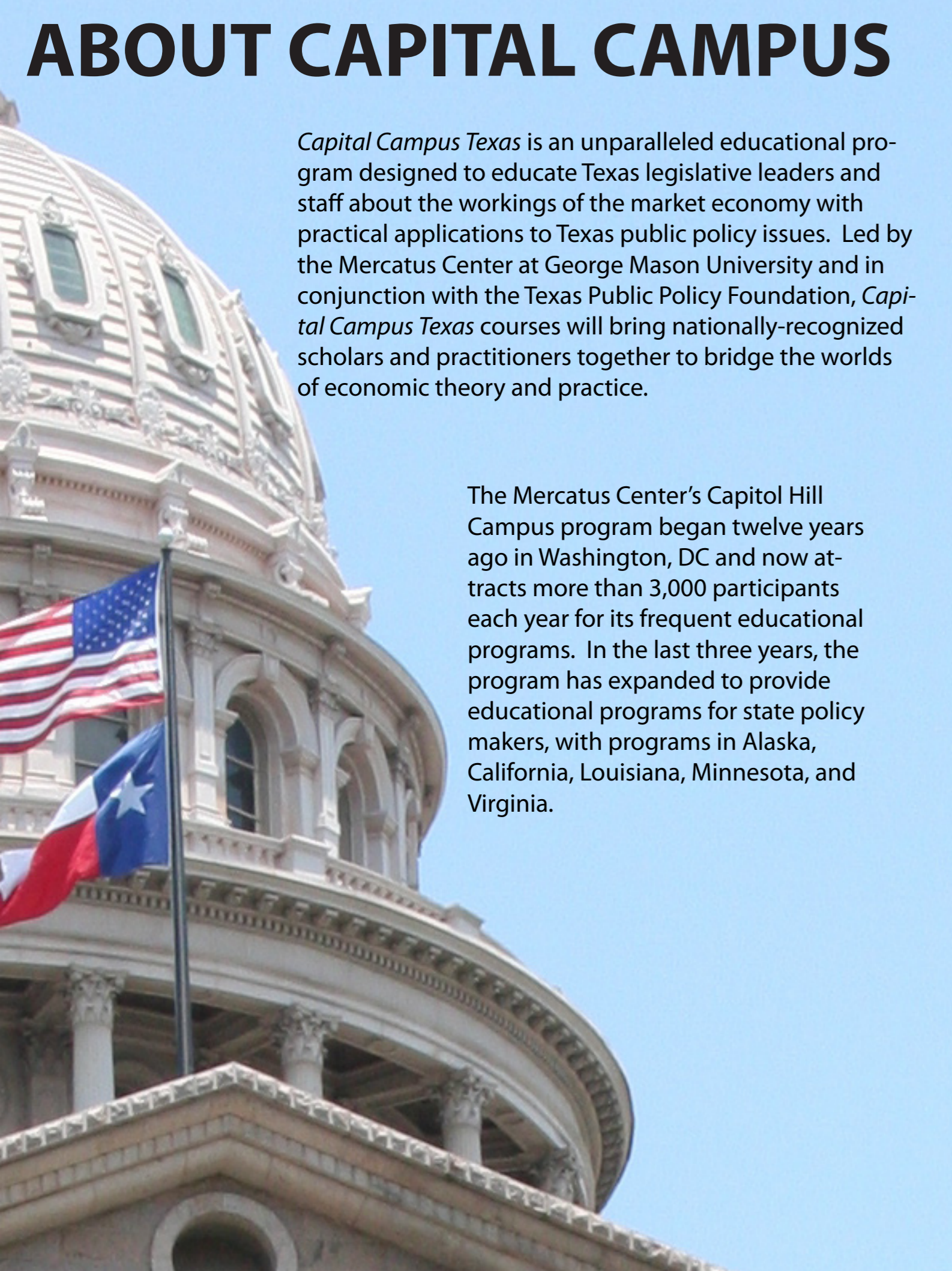


CAPITAL CAMPUS TEXAS



Join the Texas Public Policy Foundation and the Mercatus Center at George Mason University for Texas' First Annual Capital Campus Program

OCTOBER 23-24, 2007



ABOUT CAPITAL CAMPUS

Capital Campus Texas is an unparalleled educational program designed to educate Texas legislative leaders and staff about the workings of the market economy with practical applications to Texas public policy issues. Led by the Mercatus Center at George Mason University and in conjunction with the Texas Public Policy Foundation, *Capital Campus Texas* courses will bring nationally-recognized scholars and practitioners together to bridge the worlds of economic theory and practice.

The Mercatus Center's Capitol Hill Campus program began twelve years ago in Washington, DC and now attracts more than 3,000 participants each year for its frequent educational programs. In the last three years, the program has expanded to provide educational programs for state policy makers, with programs in Alaska, California, Louisiana, Minnesota, and Virginia.

Capital Campus Texas courses provide a forum where reliable academic research and practical discussion of real-world lessons intersect. This unique educational model yields programs offering information that is not only highly credible, but broadly applicable to the work of a diverse audience of state policy makers from all branches of government and from both sides of the aisle.

Program Speakers and Experts

From start to finish, Capital Campus participants will learn from the finest experts from around the nation and the world, including:

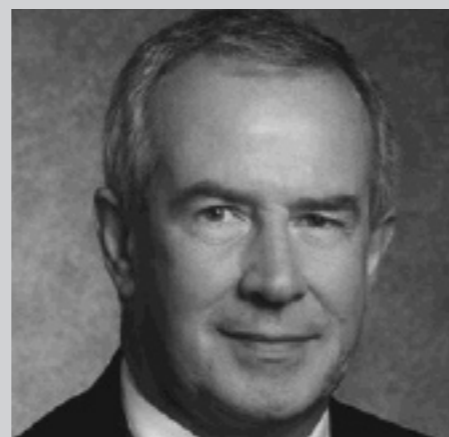
The Honorable Maurice McTigue, former New Zealand Parliament member, Cabinet Minister, and Ambassador.

Dr. Arthur Laffer of the famous "Laffer Curve," and former professor at Pepperdine University, the University of Southern California, and the University of Chicago.

Stephen Moore of the *Wall Street Journal* Editorial Board.

With additional policy experts: **Dr. Don King** and **Dr. Jerry Ellig** of the Mercatus Center at George Mason University, **Dr. Antony Davies** of Duquesne University, **Dr. Robert Michaels** of California State University, and **Dr. Bruce Yandle** of Clemson University.

Plus: Texas Public Policy Foundation experts **Marc Levin** and **Jeff Sandefer**.



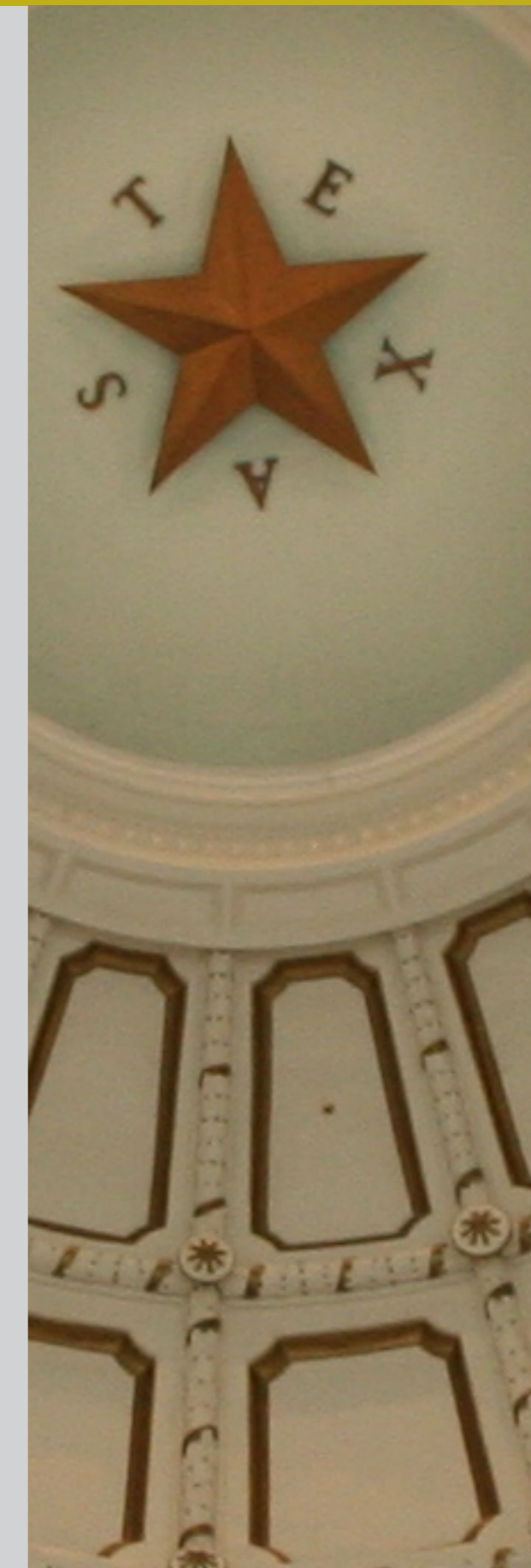
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Tentative Agenda

Tuesday, October 23, 2007

- Transportation from Austin to the Hyatt Lost Pines Resort
- Registration, Welcome Reception, and Opening Remarks
- Economic Games, Dr. Antony Davies
- Policy Issue: Health Care, Dr. Don King
- Business versus Markets, Jeff Sandefer
- Policy Issue: Energy, Dr. Robert Michaels
- Dinner and keynote with Dr. Arthur Laffer
- "Late Night with Laffer"

Wednesday, October 24, 2007

- Breakfast
- Principles and Policies for Economic Growth, The Honorable Maurice McTigue and Dr. Bruce Yandle
- Policy Issue: Taxes, Stephen Moore
- Policy Issue: Criminal Justice, Marc Levin
- Lunch
- Return transportation to Austin