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# Woman senator gets huge ID card

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**Associated Press** 

AUSTIN — Texas' only woman state senator received as a joke Wednesday a huge ID card in recognition of her vain attempt to get on the House floor for a speech by Gov. Mark White to the Legislature.

Cyndi Taylor Krier, a 34-year-old lawyer, was barred from the House chamber on Tuesday by doorkeepers who did not recognize her.

Krier, a San Antonio Republican, chose to go upstairs to the visitors' gallery rather than insisting on a downstairs seat with other senators.

"Lots of those in the Senate are new faces to us over here," said House Sergeant-at-Arms Ron Hinkle, who wrote Krier an immedi-

ate letter of apology.

Krier said, "I guess I could have bullied my way in, saying, 'I'm a state senator.' But I didn't."

She was not carrying her official Senate photo identification. So, on Wednesday, Sen. Chet Edwards presented Krier with a brief-case-sized photo ID labeled "Official Legislative Identification —Department of Public Safety.

"Carry it with you everywhere you go," said Edwards, D-Duncanville. "It might even get you a parking place at the Capitol."

The youthful looking Edwards the youngest senator at 33 — told Krier in his legislative career he had been mistaken for a page and high school student, "and I can empathize

Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, jokingly said he had received a telegram from former presidential candidate Jesse Jackson telling Krier to heed Jackson's advice: "I am —

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby recalled that several years ago after a woman House member had been denied access to a private club in the down-town Driskill Hotel, she asked her colleagues to boycott the hotel.

"I will recognize you if you'd like to introduce a resolution to boycott the House," said Hobby, smiling.

Krier responded, "I want to thank all of you for your gallant efforts. I do hope to accomplish a few other things besides getting on the House floor."

Turner was killed in March 1982

at a roadside park near Richmond. An autopsy showed he had been

stabbed more than 60 times.

Hunter was charged with capital murder in the killing, but has been

promised a reduced charge of mur-

der and a 30-year prison sentence as

part of a plea bargain arrangement.
Fran Turner was convicted of capital murder, but the jury did not

The conviction carries a life sentence, but she is appealing.
Sherri Frank, daughter of Fran

Turner from an earlier marriage, is also charged with murder and is on

sentence her to death.

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Roberta Turner agreed to make the settlement with Fran Turner, who was sentenced to life in prison for the murder of her husband Robert Turner, rather than have her son's \$500,000 estate tied up in litigation while Fran Turner appeals her murder conviction.

Fran Turner separated from her husband shortly after she was named beneficiary on his \$300,000 in life insurance. in life insurance. In her trial last February, testi-

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