## Greetings from the Talking Book Program!

During the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislative session, our Texas state government passed SB 2075, which relates to public school compliance and the requirement that a school district notify certain parents or guardians of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission - Talking Book Program that it provides students with reading disabilities the ability to borrow audiobooks free of charge.

Throughout Texas, children with disabilities that prevent them from reading standard print are enjoying the world of reading through the Talking Book Program (TBP). TBP is a FREE service that allows students with a reading disability, like dyslexia, the opportunity to read. We offer more than 125,000 titles and 80 plus magazines, all read with human narration. Materials can be downloaded via the Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) Mobile app, to a smartphone or tablet.

For more information or for questions, visit <a href="www.tsl.texas.gov/tbp/reading\_disabilities">www.tsl.texas.gov/tbp/reading\_disabilities</a>, send an email to <a href="tbp.services@tsl.texas.gov">tbp.services@tsl.texas.gov</a> or give us a call at 1-800-252-9605.

Sincerely,

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