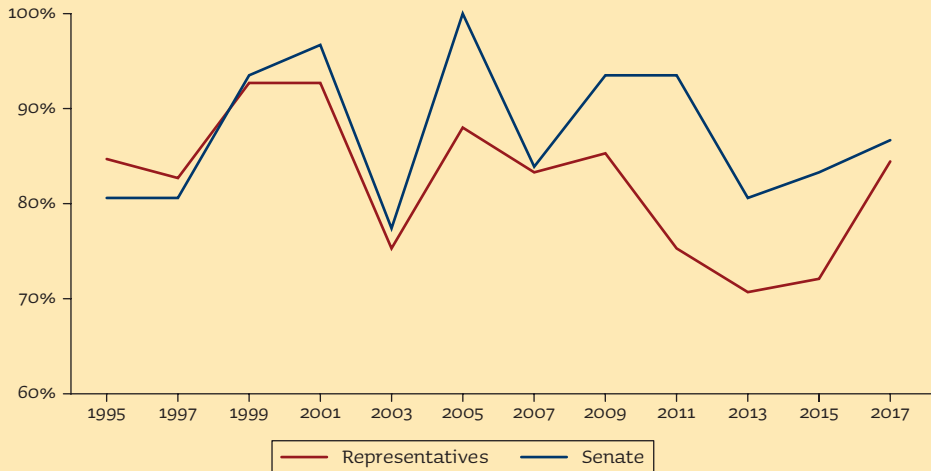


**FIGURE 3.1**

## Rates of Incumbency for the Texas Legislature, 1997–2015



**Source:** Adapted from Legislative Reference Library of Texas, “Membership Statistics for the 83rd Legislature,” 2013, [www.lrl.state.tx.us/legeLeaders/members/memberStatistics.cfm](http://www.lrl.state.tx.us/legeLeaders/members/memberStatistics.cfm) (accessed June 5, 2016).