

Interim Hearings – Week of August 13, 2018

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August 13

House Committee on [Urban Affairs](#)

Charge: Process of cleaning firefighters' equipment, and associated health risks

- ["Amid Probe of HFD, Texas Fire Commission Adopts Stricter Rule on Gear Cleaning," *Houston Chronicle*](#), Updated July 13, 2018
- ["State Launches Probe into HFD Safety Procedures," *Houston Chronicle*](#), Updated July 9, 2018
- [New Requirements for PPE SOPs](#) (Personal Protective Equipment Standard Operating Procedures), Texas Commission on Fire Protection
- [37 Texas Administrative Code Rule § 435.1](#), Protective Clothing, Texas Commission on Fire Protection, amended to be effective August 2, 2018

Senate Committee on [Intergovernmental Relations](#)

Charge: ETJ [extraterritorial jurisdiction] limitations and notice

- [Interim Report to the 85th Texas Legislature \(Charge 4](#) – Extraterritorial jurisdiction), House Committee on Land and Resource Management, December 2016
- [Interim Report to the 85th Legislature \(Charge 1](#) – Extraterritorial jurisdiction), Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations, November 2016
- [Texas Local Government Code Chapter 42](#), Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of Municipalities
- [Texas Local Government Code Chapter 43](#), Municipal Annexation

Charge: Municipal Management District uniformity

- [Texas Municipal League Economic Development Handbook \(Municipal Management Districts\)](#), Texas Municipal League, Updated October 2017
- ["The City with \(Almost\) No Limits," *UrbanLand Magazine*](#), August 30, 2017 (republished from 2015)
- [Interim Report to the 85th Texas Legislature \(Charge 1](#) – Municipal

Management Districts and/or Improvement Districts), House Committee on Special Purpose Districts, December 2016

- *Interim Report to the 85th Legislature (Charge 4 – Municipal Management Districts)*, Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations, November 2016
- *Invisible Governments: Special Purpose Districts in Texas* (Municipal Management Districts, Tables), Texas Senate Research Center, October 2014
- *Interim Report to the 82nd Texas Legislature (Charge 8 – Municipal Management Districts; Appendices H-1 to H-2)*, Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations, December 2010
- *Texas Local Government Code Chapter 375, Municipal Management Districts in General*, Municipal Management Districts in General (Amended by SB 1987, § 3, 85th Legislature, R. S.)
- *Texas Government Code § 313.006*, Notice for Laws Establishing Municipal Management Districts (Amended by SB 1987, §§ 1-2, 85th Legislature, R. S.)

August 14

House Committee on **Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence**

Charge 2: Non-traditional methods of resolving legal disputes and interacting with the legal system; self-help resources, access to justice for unrepresented litigants, online dispute resolution

- *Improving Access to Justice in Texas Courts: A Case Study of Self-Help Resources for Debt Collection Claims in Justice Courts*, Texas Appleseed, February 3, 2017
- *Annual Statistical Report for the Texas Judiciary, Fiscal Year 2017* (Self-Representation), Office of Court Administration, 2017
- *Forms for Pro Se Litigants* (Summary of development of family law forms, commission reports, exhibits, briefs, research from other states, and pro se statistics), Texas Access to Justice Commission
- *TexasLawHelp.org* (Legal information & forms, legal help), Texas Legal Services Center

Charge 4: Specialty courts

- *Biennial Report to the Texas Legislature (Specialty Courts)*, Criminal Justice Division, Office of the Governor, December 2016
- *Specialty Courts* (Issue Brief), Legislative Budget Board, July 2016
- *Specialty Court Programs*, Office of the Texas Governor
- *Specialty Courts*, Office of Court Administration

Charge 5: Jurisdictional threshold

- *Annual Statistical Report for the Texas Judiciary: Fiscal Year 2017* (Texas Court Structure), Texas Office of Court Administration, 2017
- *Civil Jurisdiction Thresholds*, National Center for State Courts, 2015
- *Examining Texas County Courts at Law Civil Court Reorganization: Final Report*, National Center for State Courts, December 2012
- *Report of the Court Administration Task Force* (Jurisdictional limits), State Bar of Texas, October 2008
- *Texas Government Code § 24.007*, Jurisdiction (District courts)
- *Texas Government Code § 25.0003*, Jurisdiction (Statutory county courts)
- *Texas Government Code § 26.042*, Civil Jurisdiction; Juvenile Jurisdiction (County courts)
- *Texas Government Code § 27.031*, Jurisdiction (Justice courts)

Charge 6: Office of Court Administration's guardianship compliance program

- *State Adult Guardianship Legislative Summary: Directions of Reform – 2017*, American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging, 2017
- *Guardianship Compliance Project Performance Report*, Office of Court Administration, December 2016
- *Interim Report to the 85th Legislature* (Charge 7 - Guardianship Compliance Pilot Project), Senate Committee on State Affairs, November 2016
- *Elders: Committee Report & Recommendations* (Guardianship), Texas Judicial Council, October 2016
- *Guardianships: Cases of Financial Exploitation, Neglect, and Abuse of Seniors*, U.S. Government Accountability Office, September 30, 2010
- *Guardianship Compliance Project* (Guardianship resources), Texas Judicial Branch
- *Texas Estates Code Chapter 1151*, Rights, Powers, and Duties Under Guardianship
- *Texas Government Code Chapter 155*, Duties Respecting Guardianship (Guardianship certification)