

Interim Hearings - Week of December 1, 2014

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[Legislative Budget Board](#)

- [Technical Memorandum, Tax Relief Amendment Implementation Limit on Growth of Certain State Appropriations](#), Legislative Budget Board
- [Memo to Board on 2014-15 Spending Limit Update](#), November 18, 2014
- [Budget Execution Proposal \(Border Security\)](#), Governor Rick Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst, and Speaker Joe Straus, November 17, 2014

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Topics: Revised guidelines for the Texas Facilities Commission, other business

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House Committee on [Insurance](#)

Charge: Effects of the Affordable Care Act on the availability and affordability of private health insurance coverage in Texas and on the health insurance market

- *Private Health Insurance Market Reforms in the Affordable Care Act (ACA)*, Congressional Research Service, July 24, 2014
- *The Uninsured Population in Texas: Understanding Coverage Needs and the Potential Impact of the Affordable Care Act*, Kaiser Family Foundation, July 2014
- *How Will the Uninsured in Texas Fare Under the Affordable Care Act?* Kaiser Family Foundation, January 2014
- *The Affordable Care Act and Health Insurance Markets: Simulating the Effects of Regulation*, RAND Corporation, August 29, 2013

Charge: Transparency in the health care marketplace

- "Price Transparency Efforts Target Physicians," *Texas Medicine*, July 2014
- *Transparency and Disclosure of Health Costs and Provider Payments: State Actions*, National Conference of State Legislatures, Updated June 2014
- *Health Price Transparency: Improvements for Texas Consumers*, Texas Department of Insurance, April 15, 2014
- *Report Card on State Price Transparency Laws*, Catalyst for Payment Reform and Health Care Incentives Improvement Institute, March 25, 2014
- *Price Transparency in Health Care: Report from the HFMA Price Transparency Task Force*, Healthcare Financial Management Association, 2014

Charge: Auto insurance market issues:

- Uninsured drivers
 - *Compulsory Auto/Uninsured Motorists*, Insurance Information Institute, November 2014 and *Uninsured Motorists* (statistics), Insurance Information Institute
 - "Dallas County's Uninsured Driver Rate Speeds Up," *Dallas Morning News*, August 16, 2014
 - "IRC: Uninsured Motorists a Perplexing, Pervasive Concern," *Insurance Journal*, August 12, 2014
 - *Uninsured Drivers: A Societal Dilemma in Need of a Solution*, Consumer Federation of America, March 2013 and *Penalties for Driving without Auto Insurance by State as of January 2014*, Consumer Federation of America
- "Named driver" auto insurance policies
 - "New Texas Law Aims at 'Junk' Auto Insurance Policies Covering Only Certain Drivers," *Dallas Morning News*, September 2013
 - *Rule Proposal: 28 TAC §5.208 Named Driver Policy Disclosures (SB 1567)*, Texas Association of Benefit Administration

Charge: Long-term stability of the residual market for workers' compensation insurance

- "Insurance War: State-created Firm Now Wants Full Freedom," *Insurancenews.net*, November 1, 2014
- "Texas Mutual Quietly Helps Drive State's Workers' Comp System," *Austin American Statesman*, August 4, 2011

- *E-Texas, chapter 2: Competitive government: Privatize the Texas Workers' Compensation Insurance Fund*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, December 1, 2000
- *Our Long-Term Vision: A Stronger, More Competitive WC System*, Texas Mutual Insurance Co.

Joint Select Committee on **Ethics Laws**

Topic: Review the statutes and regulations related to ethics, including campaign finance laws, lobby laws, and personal financial disclosure law

- **Publications and Guides**, including campaign finance guides for candidates and officeholders, and lobbying in Texas, Texas Ethics Commission

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House Committee on **Appropriations**

Topic: Invited testimony on state spending limit, overview of the revenue estimate, and budget drivers for the 84th Legislative Session (including public education, Medicaid, mental health funding, Employee Retirement System and the Teacher Retirement System)

- *An Overview of Selected Cost Drivers in the State Budget: Presented to the Senate Finance Committee*, Legislative Budget Board, September 24, 2014

House Select Committee on **Fiscal Impact of Texas Border Support Operations**

Topic: Invited testimony from agencies and organizations that are participating in Texas Border Support Operations

- "Texas Will Leave Border Enforcement to State Police and Game Wardens," *Governing*, November 20, 2014
- "Texas Border Surge Partially Extended through August 2015," *The Houston Chronicle*, November 18, 2014
- "Texas Leaders Extend State-Led Border Surge" (press release), Office of the Governor, November 18, 2014
- "Border Surge Could Continue Through August," *Texas Tribune*, November 18, 2014
- *Budget Execution Proposal*, Office of the Governor, November 17, 2014
- *Fact Sheet: Educational Services for Immigrant Children and Those Recently Arrived to the United States*, U.S. Department of Education

House Administration

Topic: Press credentialing

House Research Organization Steering Committee

Topic: Nominate steering committee candidate slate for submission to House membership