Interim Hearings – Week of June 20, 2022

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Today's Committee Meetings on the LRL website is a calendar of interim committee hearings with links to agendas. Below are resources related to upcoming Interim Hearings.

- June 20, 2022
- House Investigative Committee on The Robb Elementary Shooting
- June 21, 2022
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 - House Investigative Committee on The Robb Elementary Shooting
 - Senate Special Committee to Protect All Texans
- June 22, 2022
 - House Committee on State Affairs
 - Senate Special Committee to Protect All Texans
 - Sunset Advisory Commission
- June 23, 2022
 - House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety and House Select Committee on Youth Health & Safety (Joint)
 - House Committee on State Affairs

June 20, 2022

House Investigative Committee on The Robb Elementary Shooting (Uvalde) The committee will meet to hear invited testimony from law enforcement authorities and other affected parties related to the facts and circumstances of the events relating to the violent acts, shootings, and murders at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde. Because of the quasi-judicial nature of the committee's investigation and pursuant to House Rule 4, Section 12, witnesses will be examined in executive session.

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Charge: Examine programs and funding streams connected to services that improve mental health outcomes for servicemen and women suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).

- Association of Traumatic Brain Injury With Mortality Among Military Veterans Serving After September 11, 2001, Journal of the American Medical Association, February 11, 2022
- UTSA Collaborative Study with DoD and VA Aims to Heighten Awareness, Improve Care for Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injury, The University of Texas at San Antonio, February 11, 2021
- The National Health and Resilience in Veterans Study: A Narrative Review and Future Directions (Post-traumatic Stress Disorder), Frontiers in Psychiatry, December 9, 2020
- Veterans Recovery Pilot Program Evaluation Report, As Required by Texas Health and Safety Code Section 49.008, Texas Health and Human Services Commission, October 2020
- Treating PTSD: A Review of Evidence-Based Psychotherapy Interventions, Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience, November 2, 2018
- Clinical Practice Guideline for the Treatment of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in Adults, American Psychological Association, 2017
- Overview of VA Research on Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- VA Research on Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Topic: Update on Mlitary Equipment available to local governments through the Texas Law Enforcement Support Office.

• Texas LESO Program, Texas Department of Public Safety

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Senate Special Committee to Protect All Texans The Committee will hear invited and public testimony on the following areas

- School Safety
- Police Training
- Social Media

Speaker Dade Phelan letter to Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick letter to Speaker Dade Phelan (Uvalde response, mental health, school safety), June 13, 2022

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June 22, 2022 House Committee on State Affairs Charge: Update on the continued progress of the proposed changes to the ERCOT market design.

- Memorandum, Project No. 52373, Review of Wholesale Market Design (Phase II), Public Utility Commission of Texas, December 6, 2021
- The Load-Serving Entity Reliability Obligation: A Market Design Reform to Ensure Electric Reliability in Texas, submitted to Public Utility Commission of Texas, Energy + Environmental Economics, October 2021
- Filings for 52373: Review of Wholesale Electric Market Design, PUC Interchange Filer, Public Utility Commission of Texas

Senate Committee To Protect All Texans

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- Mental Health
- Firearm Safety

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Sunset Advisory Commission

Consideration and possible action on the recommendations for the following agencies:

- Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board
- Texas Invasive Species Coordinating Committee

- Texas Water Development Board
 - State Water Implementation Fund for Texas
- San Antonio River Authority

Staff presentation and public testimony:

- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission
- Texas Juvenile Justice Department
 - Office of the Independent Ombudsman

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June 23, 2022

House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety and House Select Committee on Youth Health & Safety

Charge #1: Study the implementation and impact of Senate Bill 11 (86th Legislature, Regular Session) and any other pertinent laws. Identify additional policies, protocols, and strategies that will help create a safer environment in schools and local communities.

- School Safety: Overview and Legislative Tracking, National Conference of State Legislatures, May 31, 2022
- Texas Has Some Safety Requirements for Public Schools But Leaves Most of the Particulars Up to Education Officials, Texas Tribune, May 25, 2022
- Safe and Supportive School Program Update, Texas Education Agency, April 7, 2022
- Interim Report to the 87th Texas Legislature (Charge 1 House Bill 18 (86R), House Bill 19 (86R), House Bill 906 (86R), Senate Bill 11 (86R)), House Committee on Public Education, December 2020
- Statewide Plan for Student Mental Health: Senate Bill 11, Texas Education Agency, December 2020
- Strong Families, Supportive Communities: Moving Our Behavioral Health Workforce Forward, Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council, Texas Health and Human Services Commission, December 2020
- Senate Bill 11 Data Requirement and Safe and Supportive Schools Program (SSSP), Texas Education Agency, September 17, 2020
- Senate Bill 11 (SB 11) and Other School Safety Updates, Texas Education Agency, July 23, 2020
- Senate Bill 11 (SB 11) and Other School Safety Related Legislation, Texas

Education Agency, February 27, 2020

• Safe and Supportive School Program, Legislation Related to the Safe and Supportive School Program, Texas Education Agency

Charge #2: Examine strategies to prevent acts of violence, including measures to enhance firearm safety in Texas.

- School Safety: Research on Gathering Tips and Addressing Threats, National Institute of Justice, April 12, 2021
- Averting Targeted School Violence: A U.S. Secret Service Analysis of Plots Against Schools, National Threat Assessment Center, March 2021
- Blip on the Radar: School Safety Synergy Through Early Warning and Information Sharing, Naval Postgraduate School, Center for Homeland Defense and Security, December 2020
- A Comprehensive School Safety Framework: Report to the Committees on Appropriations, National Institute of Justice, January 2020
- School-Based Violence Prevention: A Practical Handbook, World Health Organization, 2019
- Violence Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Charge #3: Evaluate the preparedness of and coordination between state and local agencies, non governmental entities, and law enforcement for the prevention of and response to mass violence, including the content and efficacy of active shooter response training.

- After Uvalde School Shooting, Texas Police Wonder How Much Training Is Enough — And Will It Matter?, Texas Tribune, June 13, 2022
- Letter to Pete Blair, Executive Director, Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center (ALERRT), Texas State University (RE: Instructing ALERRT to provide a debrief of the Uvalde school shooting and other relevant situations to decision makers charged with school safety in all our public schools and directing ALERRT to deploy their nationally recognized active shooter training to all Texas school districts, prioritizing school-based law enforcement), Governor Greg Abbott, June 6, 2022
- Texas Safety Action Report, Governor Greg Abbott, September 12, 2019
- Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT), Publications, Texas State University

House Committee on State Affairs

Charge: Monitor the agencies and programs under the Committee's jurisdiction and oversee the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 87th Legislature. Conduct active oversight of all associated rulemaking and other governmental actions taken to ensure the intended legislative outcome of all legislation, including the following:

• SB 2, relating to the governance of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the Office of Public Utility Counsel, and the Electric Reliability Council of Texas

Charge: Examine the efforts of power generation facilities to weatherize their facilities.

- ERCOT's Final Report on Winter Weather Readiness Inspections (Public Utility Commission of Texas Project Nos. 52786 and 52787), Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), January 18, 2022
- Item 3: Weatherization and Inspection Update, Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), January 17-18, 2022
- PUC Recommends \$7.5Min Fines for Power Plants That Failed to File Winterization Reports, 5 NBCDFW, December 8, 2021
- Weather Emergency Preparedness FAQs, Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), posted November 23, 2021
- Filings for 51840: Rulemaking to Establish Electric Weatherization Standards, PUC Interchange Filer, Public Utility Commission of Texas

Charge: Review the status of projects intended to reduce transmission congestion within the electrical grid.

- Report on Existing and Potential Electric System Constraints and Needs (Planned Improvements), Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), December 2021
- Transmission Planning in ERCOT, Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), July 26, 2021
- National Electric Transmission Congestion Study, U.S. Department of Energy, September 2020

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