Interim Hearings - Week of February 27, 2012

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Today's Committee Meetings on the LRL website is a calendar of interim committee hearings with links to agendas. The following may be helpful resources for upcoming hearings.

Monday, February 27th

House Committees on Insurance and Public Health (Joint Hearing)

Charge 3: Implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act in Texas

- "State Reviews Health Insurance Hikes, Lacks Authority to Halt Them," Austin American-Statesman, February 5, 2012
- Essential Health Benefits in Texas, Center for Public Policy Priorities, January 2012
- Medical Loss Ratios, Texas Public Policy Foundation, January 2012
- "Texas Insurers Won't Get Reprieve from Health-Care Law Rule," Business Week, January 31, 2012
- The Affordable Care Act in Texas, Healthcare.gov, last updated August 2011
- Update on Federal Health Insurance Reform, Texas Department of Insurance, November 2010

Tuesday, February 28th

Joint Committee on Alzheimer's Disease

Charge 1: Overall economic and systemic impact of Alzheimer's disease through 2017, inventory of public and private infrastructure and capacity, funds and systems to support disease-specific strategic planning

- 2011 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures, Alzheimer's Association, March 2011
- Alzheimer's Disease Program, Texas Department of State Health Services; including Putting the Pieces Together: A Comprehensive Plan for Addressing the Burden of Alzheimer's Disease in Texas: Texas State Plan on Alzheimer's Disease 2010-2015 September 2010; and Texas Council on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders 2010 Biennial Report, December 2010

House Committee on Appropriations - Subcommittee on Article II CANCELLED

Topic: Medicaid trends, implementation of cost-savings initiatives in health and human services, and changes in hospital reimbursement methodology

• A Mid-Year State Medicaid Budget Update for FY 2012 & A Look Forward to FY 2013, Kaiser Family Foundation, February 2012

Wednesday, February 29th

Joint Committee on Oversight of Medicaid Reform Waiver

Topic: Design and development of Medicaid reform waiver to transition existing Medicaid payment systems and benefits to a more efficient and cost-effective model

- Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program Program Brief, Medicaid 1115 Waiver Proposal, Texas Health and Human Services Commission, July 13, 2011
- Approval Letter and Documents, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, December 12, 2011
- California's "Bridge to Reform" Medicaid Demonstration Waiver, Kaiser Family Foundation, October 2011 update

House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

Charge 4: Current sentencing practices for defendants with mental illnesses

Topic: Implementation of HB 215 (82R), relating to photograph and live lineup identification procedures in criminal cases.

Thursday, March 1st House Committees on Border & Intergovernmental Affairs and Homeland Security & Public Safety (Joint Hearing, McAllen)

Charge 3: Interstate coordination concerning border security and intelligence sharing

• *Texas Border Security: A Strategic Military Assessment*, Colgen, Texas Department of Agriculture, September 2011

Joint Partnership Advisory Commission Topic: Organizational meeting, elect a Presiding Officer and Assistant Presiding Officer, and adopt rules for the Commission

Friday, March 2nd

House Committees on Border & Intergovernmental Affairs and Homeland Security & Public Safety (Joint Work Session, McAllen)

Topic: Rio Grande Valley Texas Border Security and Public Safety Briefing to showcase area emergency preparedness and border security

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