

Interim Hearings – Week of March 10, 2014

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March 10th

House Committee on [County Affairs](#)

Charge 1: Population growth and impact on housing, available land resources, businesses, and the state's economy

- [The State of the Nation's Housing 2013](#), Chapter 3, Demographic Drivers, Joint Center for Housing Studies, Harvard University, June 2013
- [Texas Population Projections Program](#), including population projections for individual Texas counties by age group and single years of age for 2010-2050, Texas State Data Center

Charge 2: Oversight of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, jail issues including mental health

- [Texas Commission on Jail Standards](#), including [County Population Reports](#) updated February 26, 2014
- [Mortality in Local Jails and State Prisons, 2000-2011 Statistical Tables](#), Bureau of Justice Statistics, August 2013
- [Texas County Resources](#), Texas Criminal Justice Coalition

Charge 3: Monitor health advisory panel from [HB 3793](#), 83rd Legislature

- ["Mental Health Advisory Panel to Create a Statewide Plan,"](#) Texas Association of Counties
- [House Bill 3793 - 83\(R\)](#), advisory panel meetings and agendas, Texas Department

of State Health Services

Charge 4: Cite-and-summons policy and effect on overcrowding in county jails

- *Costly Confinement & Sensible Solutions: Jail Overcrowding in Texas*, Texas Criminal Justice Coalition, 2010

Charge 5: Veterans courts and implementation of [SB 462](#), 83rd Legislature (Joint Charge with House Committee on Defense and Veterans' Affairs)

- "Iraq War Vet Talks About Experience in Veterans Court at Lubbock Conference," *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, February 20, 2014
- "From PTSD to Prison: Why Veterans Become Criminals," The Daily Beast, July 28, 2013
- *Veterans Courts, Resource Guide*, National Center for State Courts
- *Veterans Courts in Texas* (County Directory), Texas A& M University System

Charge 6: Legislative oversight and monitoring of the agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction and the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 83rd Legislature