

## Interim Hearings - Week of September 24, 2012

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September 24th

House Committee on [Elections](#)

Charge: Mobile voting

- ["Elections in the Digital World: From Registering to Vote to Finding Your Polling Place, Digital Solutions are Coming Online,"](#) *State Legislatures*, National Conference of State Legislatures, February 2012
- ["Bringing the Vote to Residents of Long-Term Care Facilities: A Study of the Benefits and Challenges of Mobile Polling,"](#) *Election Law Journal*, March 2011

Charge: Voter registration

- ["Texas' Screwy Election Laws: Voters in Texas Claim Unconventional Residences; Which Cases Amount to Fraud?,"](#) *Texas Watchdog*, September 19, 2012
- ["Could College Freshmen Swing the Election?,"](#) *Business Insider*, September 17, 2012
- ["Voter Registration Wording Prompts Suit Against the State,"](#) *New Hampshire Union Leader*, September 13, 2012
- [Voter ID: State Requirements](#), National Conference of State Legislatures, updated September 5, 2012
- ["Student ID Cards Far From Sure Ticket to the Voting Booth,"](#) Center for Public Integrity, August 15, 2012
- [Proof of Residence and Wisconsin's New Voter ID Law](#), Wisconsin Government Accountability Board, September 30, 2011
- [Review of State Laws Defining Residency for Voting](#), National Association of Secretaries of State, October 2008

Charge: Monitor agencies and programs under committee jurisdiction, implementation of 82nd legislation

## House Committee on Land & Resource Management

Charge: Texas Private Real Property Rights Preservation Act

- "Court Right to Side With Texas Property Owners," *Austin American-Statesman*, March 11, 2012
- Texas Private Real Property Rights Preservation Act Guidelines, Texas Attorney General, revised May 3, 2011
- *Regulatory Takings: The Next Step in Protecting Property Rights in Texas*, Texas Public Policy Foundation, July 22, 2010

Charge: Municipal regulatory authority in extraterritorial jurisdictions

- *Municipal Regulation of the ETJ*, Brown & Hofmeister LLP, August 2012
- *Municipal Annexation in Texas*, Texas Municipal League, updated March 2012
- "Attorney General Says Hill Country Cities Have Power to Regulate Development on Their Fringes," *Austin American-Statesman*, March 15, 2010 and Texas Attorney General Opinion GA-0762, March 15, 2010
- *Municipal Regulation: Enforcement Within the City Limits and in the ETJ*, Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP, 2008

## Joint Committee on Public School Finance System

Charge: Public school finance system

- "New School Year Brings More Cuts in State Funding for Schools," Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, September 4, 2012
- "A state property tax for schools - fix or nix?," Texas Taxpayers and Research Association, July 2012
- 2011-12 School Finance Lawsuits, Texas Association of School Boards

September 25th

## House Committee on Public Education

Charge: Review of the University Interscholastic League (UIL)

- *Constitution and Contest Rules 2012-2013*, University Interscholastic League
- *2010-11 Annual Report*, University Interscholastic League
- *Annual Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2010-2011*, University Interscholastic League, August 30, 2011
- *Interim Report 2004: A Report to the House of Representatives, 79th Texas Legislature* (Charge 5: UIL), House Committee on Public Education, December 8, 2004
- "University Interscholastic League," *Handbook of Texas Online*, Texas State Historical Association

## Senate Committee on Finance

Charge: Budget process - efficiency and transparency

- *Following the Money 2012: How the States Rank on Providing Online Access to Government Spending Data*, U.S. PIRG, March 14, 2012
- *Transparency in State Budgets: A Search for Best Practices* and *Texas Budget Transparency Profile*, The Institute of Government and Public Affairs at the University of Illinois, September 2011
- *Promoting State Budget Accountability Through Tax Expenditure Reporting*, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, May 2011
- *Texas Transparency: Where the Money Goes*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Charge: Cash management - timing of receipts of state revenues and expenditures, short-term and intrafund borrowing, and cash needs for upcoming biennium

- *The Fiscal Survey of the States, Spring 2012*, National Governors Association and National Association of State Budget Officers, June 12, 2012
- *State of Texas Annual Cash Report 2011*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, November 7, 2011

## Briefing on Certificates of Obligation

- Certificate of Obligation Act, *Texas Local Government Code 271.041 et seq.*

## Joint Committee on Human Trafficking

## Charge: Services for victims of human trafficking

- "Texas Confronts Human Trafficking With Its Own Policies," *Governing*, August 31, 2012
- *2012 Trafficking in Persons Report*, U.S. Department of State, June 19, 2012
- "Sex Traffickers Prove Harder to Catch as They Move Online," *Austin American-Statesman*, March 14, 2012
- *Increasing Awareness and Engagement: Strengthening the National Response to Human Trafficking in the U.S.*, Polaris Project, 2011

## Charge: Services for minor sex trafficking victims

- "Girls 4 Sale," *Marie Claire*, August 14, 2012
- "Child Sex Trafficking a Huge Problem in Texas and the Nation," *San Antonio Express-News*, July 17, 2012
- *Interim Hearings - Week of June 25, 2012*, Legislative Reference Library, June 25, 2012
- *Rapid Field Assessment of Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking in Harris and Galveston Counties*, Houston Rescue & Restore, August 2011

September 26th

## House Committee on Environmental Regulation

Charge: Federal 8-hour ozone standard under the National Ambient Air Quality Standards program and its impact on the State Implementation Plan

- *Review of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone* (Docket ID EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0172), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regulations.gov, proposed rules July and October 2007, January 2010
- *2008 Ground-Level Ozone Standards - Letter from Governor Perry to EPA, Region 6 Recommendations and EPA Responses* (recommending addition of Wise and Hood Counties to Dallas ozone nonattainment area and Matagorda County to Houston), Governor Rick Perry/EPA Region 6 Administrator Al Armendariz, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, October 31 and December 9, 2011

Charge: Dam safety, impact of HB 2694, 82nd Legislature

- *Senate Committee on Natural Resources Interim Report to the 81st*

*Legislature: Dam Safety*, Senate Committee on Natural Resources, February 9, 2009

- *Dam Safety Program*, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- *Dam Safety in the States* (laws, regulations, and state contacts) and *State Dam Safety Programs*, Association of State Dam Safety Officials

Charge: Environmental Protection Agency rules that may impact permits for Texas facilities

- *Interactive: Texas vs. the Federal Government* (endangerment finding, greenhouse gases, greenhouse gas permitting, cross-state air pollution rule), updated August 30, 2012
- *EPA's Approaching Regulatory Avalanche: A Regulatory Spree Unprecedented in U.S. History*, Texas Public Policy Foundation, February 6, 2012

Charge: Monitor agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction and implementation of legislation by the 82nd Legislature

September 27th

House Committee on *State Affairs*

Charge: Businesses' interactions with state agencies

- *"Get an Edge in the Fight for Government Funds," Dallas Business Journal*, June 15, 2012
- *"Comptroller Will Audit DPS Contract Procurement Procedures," Austin American-Statesman*, April 6, 2012
- *"Five Government Procurement Practices That Stifle Innovation," Government Technology*, November 8, 2011
- *Vendor Guide: How to Do Business With the State of Texas*, Texas Comptroller, July 2009

Upcoming Budget Hearings

September 24th

General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board

Higher Education Coordinating Board

Insurance, Department of

Public Community/Junior Colleges

September 25th

Angelo State University

Texas Tech University

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

Texas Tech University System

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Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas

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Midwestern State University

Texas Woman's University

University of North Texas

University of North Texas - Dallas

University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth

University of North Texas System