Interim Hearings - Week of October 20, 2014

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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.

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October 20th Top

House Committee on Appropriations - S/C on Articles I, IV, & V

Topic: Speaker's Strategic Fiscal Review Charge testimony regarding:

- Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor
- Department of Information Resources
- State Law Library
- Juvenile Justice Department
- Department of Public Safety

House Committee on County Affairs

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

- Demographic Trends in Texas: Implications for the Future of Real Estate (presentation), Office of the State Demographer, October 2, 2014
- "Why Everybody is Moving to Texas," CNN Money, September 29, 2014
- Texas Population Characteristics, Trends, and Projections (presentation),
 Office of the State Demographer, August 5, 2014
- "Water Planners Focus on Bigger Texas, Not a Hotter One," Texas Tribune, July 14, 2014
- "Some Worry Traffic Issues Will Stem Texas' Growth," *Texas Tribune*, July 9, 2014
- Texas Population Projections, 2010 to 2050 (presentation), Office of the State Demographer, January 2013

Charge: Health advisory panel from HB 3793, 83rd Legislature, R.S.

- Committee Meeting Handouts (Charge #3), House Committee on County Affairs, May 5, 2014
- House Bill 3793 83(R), advisory panel meetings and agendas, Texas Department of State Health Services

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

- Texas Commission on Jail Standards, including County Population Reports updated September 1, 2014
- Committee Meeting Handouts (Charge #2), House Committee on County Affairs, May 5, 2014
- The Treatment of Persons with Mental Illness in Prisons and Jails: A State Survey and State Results: Texas, Treatment Advocacy Center, National Sheriffs Association, April 8, 2014

Charge: Legislative oversight and monitoring of agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction, including counties' emergency response preparedness

October 22nd Top

Joint Legislative Committee on Human Trafficking

Prosecution of human trafficking, resources for victims of human trafficking, labor trafficking, and combating human trafficking.

- Introduction to Human Trafficking: A Guide for Texas Education Professionals, Texas Human Trafficking Prevention Task Force, July 2014
- Services to Victims of Human Trafficking in the United States, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, January 22, 2014
- Report to the 83rd Legislature, Joint Interim Committee to Study Human Trafficking, January 2013
- Human Trafficking in Texas: More Resources and Resolve Needed to Stem Surge of Modern Day Slavery, Texas Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights, August 2011
- The Texas Human Trafficking Prevention Task Force Report 2011, Human Trafficking Prevention Task Force, January 2011
- "Prosecuting Human Traffickers," Texas District & County Attorneys Association, September/October 2010
- Human Trafficking Database, Children at Risk
- The State of Human Trafficking in Texas, Children at Risk

• Labor Trafficking, National Human Trafficking Resource Center

October 23rd Top

Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

- "Dallas County is Adjusting its Purchasing Procedures, but One Outsider Thinks its Structure Should Change," Dallas Morning News, August 18, 2014
- Responding to the New Realities: Case Studies in County Governance, National Center for the Study of Counties, March 2012
- County Government Structure and Texas County Officials, Texas Association of Counties

Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

Charge: Failure to attend school (Section 25.094, Texas Education Code), adjudicating juvenile truancy as a civil offense

- The School Discipline Consensus Report: Strategies from the Field to Keep Students Engaged in School and Out of the Juvenile Justice System, Council of State Governments Justice Center, June 2014
- Kids Doing Time for What's Not a Crime: The Over-Incarceration of Status Offenders Texas Public Policy Foundation, March 2014
- "Lawmakers Attempt to Change Truancy Laws," Texas Tribune, April 29, 2013
- Criminalization of Truancy in Texas: Prosecution of "Failure to Attend School" in Adult Criminal Courts, Texas Appleseed, March 2013
- Breaking Schools' Rules: A Statewide Study of How School Discipline Relates to Students' Success and Juvenile Justice Involvement, Council of State Governments Justice Center; Texas A&MUniversity Public Policy Research Institute, July 2011
- "The Texas Two-Step: The Criminalization of Truancy under the Texas Failure to Attend Statute (Comment)," The Scholar: St. Mary's Law Review on Race and Social Justice, Volume 13, Issue 3, 2010

Charge: Deferred adjudication, orders for non-disclosure, and expunctions, extending the use of expunction of criminal records history and non-disclosures

 Criminal Records in the Digital Age: A Review of Current Practices and Recommendations for Reform in Texas, William Wayne Justice Center for Public Interest Law, The University of Texas School of Law, March 2013

- Interim Report to the 82nd Texas Legislature, Deferred Adjudication, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, December 2010
- Criminal Records Service, Texas Department of Public Safety
- Frequently Asked Questions Deferred Adjudication, Office of District Attorney, Harris County, Texas

October 24th Top

House Committees on Agriculture & Livestock and Culture, Recreation & Tourism (Joint Hearing)

Charge: Eradication of feral hogs

- "Jefferson Co. Will Seek Grant to Fight Wild Hogs," Beaumont Enterprise, October 16, 2014
- "Texas Department of Agriculture Celebrates October as Hog Out Month," Texas Department of Agriculture, October 8, 2014
- Interim Report to the 82nd Texas Legislature (Charge 2), House Committee on Agriculture and Livestock, January 2011
- "A Plague of Pigs in Texas," Smithsonian Magazine, January 2011
- Interim Report to the 82nd Legislature (Charge 4), Senate Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs, November 1, 2010
- The Feral Hog in Texas, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, September 2003
- Control Techniques for Feral Hogs, Texas A&MAgriLife Extension
- Coping with Feral Hogs, Frequently Asked Questions--General, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

House Committees on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

Charge: Long-term plan to incorporate land donated or sold to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department into state park system

- 2013 Land and Water Resources and Conservation and Recreation Plan, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, May 2013
- Texas State Park System Development Plan, Fisher Heck and Pros Consulting for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, October 1, 2008

Charge: Texas Film Commission and the Texas Music Office and effectiveness in economic development

• "Texas TV, Film and Video Game Incentives: Fast Forward to Big Economic

- Impact," Texas Business Review, Bureau of Business Research, IC² Institute, The University of Texas at Austin, April 2011
- Texas Moving Image Industry Incentive Program: The Economic Benefits from Incentives, prepared for Texas Association of Business, by the Bureau of Business Research, IC² Institute, The University of Texas at Austin, April 2011
- The Current and Potential Economic and Fiscal Impacts of Texas' Moving Media Industry: Final Report, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, December 1, 2008

Charge: Economic impact of cultural, recreation, or tourism grants provided by the state, including any economic development grants related to cultural, recreational, or tourism industries, heritage tourism, courthouse restoration, and historic district revitalization

- The Economic Impact of Travel on Texas, 1990-2013, Office of the Governor, Texas Economic Development & Tourism, June 2014
- "Preservation Makes Sense: THC Programs Fuel Economic Growth in Texas' Rural Areas," *The Medallion*, Texas Historical Commission, Winter 2013
- Update 2012: The Impact of Arts and Culture Industries on the Texas Economy, Texas Cultural Trust, Winter 2012
- The Art of Economic Development, Texas Cultural Trust, Texas Commission on the Arts, Fall 2010
- Statistics and Studies: Quantifying the Impact of the Arts, Texas Commission on the Arts

Charge: Legislative oversight and monitoring of agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction