

Interim Hearings - Week of October 3, 2016

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October 3

Senate Select Committee on [Property Tax Reform & Relief](#) (Plano)

Charges: Property tax process and Tax burden

- [Senate Select Committee for Property Tax Reform & Relief](#), Committee Information, Video/Audio Archives, Documents and Downloads
- [Interim Hearings - Week of March 21, 2016](#), Senate Select Committee Property Tax Reform & Relief, Legislative Reference Library, March 14, 2016

October 4

House Committee on [Transportation](#), Subcommittee on [Contraflow Lanes and Gross Weight Allowances](#) (Weslaco) **CANCELLED**

Charge 1: Texas Department of Transportation's role in responding to natural disasters

- [Hurricane Information](#) and [Hurricane Evacuation Contraflow Publications](#), Texas Department of Transportation

Charge 7: Oversize or overweight corridors

- [Interim Report to the 83rd Legislature](#) (Oversize and overweight vehicles), Senate Transportation Committee, February 2013

- *Accommodating Oversize and Overweight Loads: Technical Report*, Texas Transportation Institute, July 2012
- *Oversize/Overweight Permits*, Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

Charge 1: Law enforcement - community engagement, dangers to law enforcement officers, threat assessment data, reducing number of injuries and deaths to or by law enforcement officers

- *Unholstered: When Texas Police Pull the Trigger*, *Texas Tribune*, August 30, 2016
- *President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing: One-Year Progress Report*, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, May 2016
- *Peace Officer Involved Shooting Reports* and *2015 Annual Report*, Attorney General of Texas, February 1, 2016
- *Law Enforcement Overview* (Community policing, investigations into officer involved deaths, data on police stops and use of force), National Conference of State Legislatures, April 15, 2016
- *Final Report of the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing*, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, May 2015
- *Principles of Good Policing: Avoiding Violence Between Police and Citizens*, U.S. Department of Justice, Community Relations Service, Revised September 2003
- *Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERT) Center*, Texas State University
- *Bill Blackwood Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas*, Sam Houston State University
- *Texas Commission on Law Enforcement*

October 5

Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

Charge: Occupational licensing

- *Unlicensed and Untapped: Removing Barriers to State Occupational Licenses for People with Records*, National Employment Law Project, April 2016
- *Occupational Licensing: A Framework for Policymakers*, U.S. Department of the Treasury Office of Economic Policy, Council of Economic Advisers, and Department of Labor, July 2015
- *Bootstraps Tangled in Red Tape: How State Occupational Licensing Hinders Low-Income Entrepreneurship*, Goldwater Institute, February 23, 2015
- *Report to the 83rd Legislature* (Charge 2 - Occupational licensing and regulation), Senate Committee on Business and Commerce, January 2013
- *License to Work: A National Study of Burdens from Occupational Licensing*, Institute for Justice, May 2012

- *Occupational Regulation in Texas: Occupational Licenses and Statutory Penalties for Violations Relating to Occupational Licenses*, Texas Legislative Council, October 2008; *Addendum*, June 2010

Charge: Lawsuits related to property claims from hail storms and weather events

- *Docket No. 2788, Notice of Public Meeting* (relating to mandatory mediation-arbitration endorsements), Texas Department of Insurance, July 6, 2016; *Example Filed by Texas Farm Bureau*, June 30, 2016
- "Texas Insurers Hope Court Decisions Will Curtail Hail-Related Lawsuits," *Insurance Journal*, June 21, 2016
- "Hailstorm Lawsuits are Threatening Texas Homeowners," Julian Alvarez and Abraham Padron, *TribTalk*, May 9, 2015
- *Hidalgo County Hailstorm Report*, Rio Grande Valley Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse, MB Public Affairs, Inc., 2014

Charge: Implementation of legislation addressed by the committee during the 84th Legislature, specifically: changes made to the operation of the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association, and regulation of public insurance adjusters

- *Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Resources*, including *Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Overview*, August 12, 2016, with background and recent legislation on TWIA, Texas Department of Insurance
- *Public Insurance Adjuster* and *84th Legislative Session Licensing Updates*, Texas Department of Insurance

Senate Committee on *State Affairs*

Charge: Current ethics laws governing public officials and employees, public officials' reporting requirements to Texas Ethics Commission, categorization of ethics reporting violations

- *A Guide to Ethics Laws for State Officers and Employees*, Texas Ethics Commission, Revised September 15, 2015
- *Texas Ethics Commission: Sunset Final Report with Legislative Action*, Texas Sunset Advisory Commission, July 2013
- *State Officers and Employees* and *Enforcement and Sworn Complaints*, Texas Ethics Commission

Joint Interim Committee to Study a *Coastal Barrier System*

Topic: Desirability and feasibility of constructing a coastal barrier system

- *Storm Surge Suppression Study Phase 3 Report: Recommended Actions*, Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District, June 21, 2016
- *Coastal Texas Protection and Restoration Study*, Rice University, Severe Storm

Prediction, Education and Evacuation from Disasters (SSPEED) Center Conference, April 26, 2016

- "Lawmakers Pledge Support for Hurricane Plan," *Texas Tribune*, April 11, 2016
- *Interim Report - Ike Dike Concept for Reducing Hurricane Storm Surge in the Houston-Galveston Region* (DRAFT), Jackson State University, September 2015
- *2015 Annual Report on the Houston-Galveston Area Protection System* (April 2016 Update), Rice University, Severe Storm Prediction, Education and Evacuation from Disasters (SSPEED) Center, September 2015
- *Coastal Spine System - Interim Design Report*, Texas A&M University at Galveston, June 2015
- *Report on the Economic Impacts of Coastal Protection from Surge-Induced Flood Damage* (DRAFT), Texas A&M University at Galveston, 2015
- *Report to the 84th Texas Legislature*, Joint Interim Committee to Study a Coastal Barrier System, December 1, 2014
- *Ike Dike: A Coastal Barrier Protecting the Houston/Galveston Region from Hurricane Storm Surge* (includes reports, articles, presentations, and FAQs), Texas A&M University at Galveston