

Interim Hearings - Week of May 30, 2016

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House Committee on [Insurance](#)

Charge 2: Transparency and adequacy of health care networks, consumer protection relating to out-of-network services

- ["No More Surprises,"](#) *Texas Medicine*, May 2016
- [Surprise Medical Bills](#), Kaiser Family Foundation, March 17, 2016
- ["A Tale of Two Deliveries, or An Out-of-Network Problem"](#) (Blog), *Health Affairs*, November 3, 2015
- [Getting Started on Surprise Medical Bills: An Advocate's Guide](#), *ConsumersUnion*, November 2015
- [Transparency and Disclosure of Health Costs and Provider Payments: State Actions](#), National Conference of State Legislatures, Updated August 2015
- [Report Card on State Price Transparency Laws](#), Catalyst for Payment Reform and Health Care Incentives Improvement Institute, March 25, 2014
- [Interim Report to the 80th Legislature](#) (Charge 5 - Health care cost transparency), Senate Committee on State Affairs, December 2006

House Committee on [Juvenile Justice & Family Issues](#)

Organizational meeting

House Committee on [Natural Resources](#)

Charge 1: Regional and state water planning processes

- [2017 State Water Plan: Water for Texas](#), Texas Water Development Board,

adopted by the Board May 19, 2016 ([Draft](#), March 3, 2016; the adopted 2017 State Water Plan document will be posted soon)

- ["With State Population Growing, Texas Water Board Eyes New Water Plan,"](#) *Austin American-Statesman*, May 19, 2016
- [Learning from Drought: Next Generation Water Planning for Texas](#), Texas Center for Policy Studies, May 2014
- [Water Resources Planning](#) (state water planning, regional water planning and data, population and water demand projections), Texas Water Development Board
- [2016 Approved Regional Water Plans](#), Texas Water Development Board

Charge 6: Joint groundwater planning, including [HB 200](#), 84th Legislature, R. S.; groundwater ownership, access, and management

- ["Conjunctive Groundwater Management as a Response to Socio-Ecological Disturbances: A Comparison of 4 Western U.S. States,"](#) *Texas Water Journal*, Texas Water Resources Institute, Texas A&M University, 2016
- [Interim Report to the 84th Legislature](#) (Charge 2 - Groundwater), House Committee on Natural Resources, January 2015
- [Report to the 84th Legislature](#), Texas Groundwater Protection Committee, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, January 2015
- [Groundwater](#) (Aquifers, groundwater management areas, conservation districts, data, and models), Texas Water Development Board

Charge 9: Legislative oversight and monitoring of agencies, including review of surface water permitting in Texas

- [Surface Water Rights and Availability](#) (including permits) and [Applications for Surface Water Rights and Ownership Changes](#), Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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House Committee on [Defense & Veterans' Affairs](#)

Topic 1: Maintaining military value of defense installations and communities

Charge 1: Encroachment on military bases

- ["A Growing S.A. Spurs New Efforts to Protect Bases,"](#) *San Antonio-Express News*, December 27, 2015
- [Interim Report to the 83rd Texas Legislature](#) (Charge 3), House Committee on Defense and Veterans' Affairs, January 2013
- [Minimizing Encroachment and Incompatible Land Use Near Military Installations](#), National Conference of State Legislatures, January 2013
- [Report and Recommendations to the 81st Texas Legislature](#) (Charge 4), Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations, December 2008

- **Project Documents**, Fort Hood Joint Land Use Study
- **Maps & Reports**, Southern New Mexico - El Paso, Texas Joint Land Use Study
- **Public Workshops**, Camp Swift Joint Land Use Study
- **Reports**, Randolph Joint Land Use Study
- **Compatible Use - Texas**, Office of Economic Adjustment, U.S. Department of Defense

Charge 2: Real Estate property disclosures of proximity to military installations

- **State Policy Options** (Real estate or neighboring property disclosure), National Conference of State Legislatures Task Force on Military and Veterans Affairs, Updated April 2013
- **Fair Disclosure and Airport Impact Statements in Real Estate Transfers** (E. Disclosure of Military Airports) and (Appendix C - Requiring disclosure of military airports and flight operations or of a military Air Installation Compatible Use Zone), Airport Cooperative Research Program, November 2011
- **Camp Bullis Awareness Zone Voluntary Real Estate Disclosure Statement**, City of San Antonio

Charge 4: Minimize negative consequences of a potential forthcoming BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure) round

- **"The Pentagon Threatened Congress: We'll Close Bases Without You,"** *Military Times*, April 19, 2016
- **"Pentagon to Congress: We Need Base Closures,"** *Defense News*, April 15, 2016
- **Military's Impact on State Economies**, National Conference of State Legislatures, April 12, 2016
- **Department of Defense Infrastructure Capacity** (Base Realignment and Closure Authorization), Department of Defense, March 2016
- **Office of the Governor Awards Second Round of Grants to Texas Military Installations** (Press Release), Texas Military Preparedness Commission, April 1, 2016
- **Base Realignment And Closure - Army** (Fiscal Year 2017 President's Budget Submission), Department of Defense, February 2016
- **"Army Bases Bleed, Then BRAC Comes,"** *Breaking Defense*, October 21, 2015
- **Report and Recommendations to the 84th Legislature** (Base Realignment and Closure), Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs and Military Installations, December 2014

Charge 5: Impact of sequestration and federal defense spending on Texas military

- **"Sequestration Budget Cuts Pose 'Greatest Risk' to DoD,"** *Defense News*, March 17, 2016
- **"Former Defense Secretary Gates Reveals the Biggest Weakness of America's Military Might,"** *Business Insider*, January 26, 2016
- **Final Sequestration Report for Fiscal Year 2016** (Includes defense funding), Congressional Budget Office, December 2015

- **Sequestration**, U. S. Department of Defense

Topic 2: Education and employment barriers for veterans

Charge 6: Education/employment barriers for veterans; college credit for service-related training in the armed forces

- *Exploring the Economic & Employment Challenges Facing U.S. Veterans: A Qualitative Study of Volunteers of America Service Providers & Veteran Clients*, Volunteers of America, May 2015
- *Evaluation of the Number of Future Veterans and Related Relatives In Texas Eligible to Receive Assistance Through the Hazlewood Exemption, 2016-2025*, Hobby Center for the Study of Texas, April 11, 2015
- *Report and Recommendations to the 84th Texas Legislature* (Charge 2 and Charge 5), Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs and Military Installations, December 2014
- **College Credit for Heroes**, Texas Workforce Commission
- **Veterans Education Program**, Texas Veterans Commission

Topic 3: Oversight of legislation passed by committee

Charge 7: Legislative oversight and monitoring of agencies

House Select Committee on **Mental Health**

Topic: Mental/behavioral health care services in Texas, including health insurance plans and law enforcement/criminal justice

- *Correctional Managed Health Care Policy Manual* (Decision making, classification, programs, and treatment tracks for mentally ill offenders), Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Updated 2016
- *State Mental Health Legislation 2015: Trends, Themes & Effective Practices* (Health insurance parity, criminal justice), National Alliance on Mental Illness, December 2015
- *Enforcing Mental Health Parity* (Health Policy Brief), Health Affairs, November 9, 2015
- *Annual Report on the Screening of Offenders with Mental Illness* (Rider 35), Texas Department of State Health Services, September 2015
- *Overincarceration of People with Mental Illness: Pretrial Diversion Across the Country and the Next Steps for Texas to Improve its Efforts and Increase Utilization*, Texas Public Policy Foundation, June 2015
- *A Long Road Ahead: Achieving True Parity in Mental Health and Substance Use Care*, National Alliance on Mental Illness, April 2015
- *The Treatment of Persons with Mental Illness in Prisons and Jails: A State Survey*, Treatment Advocacy Center, National Sheriffs Association, April 8, 2014

- *Statewide Law Enforcement/Mental Health Efforts: Strategies to Support and Sustain Local Initiatives*, Council of State Governments, Justice Center, December 2012