

Interim Hearings – Weeks of July 23 and July 30, 2012

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July 23rd

House Committee on [Land & Resource Management](#)

Charge: Cabin Program, General Land Office

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Charge: *Severance v. Patterson* and impact on Texas Open Beaches Act

- [Carol Severance v. Jerry Patterson, et al.](#), Opinion and dissent (No. 09-0387, [Open Beaches Act](#)) , Supreme Court of Texas, November 5, 2010
- [Carol Severance v. Jerry Patterson, et al.](#), Opinion, concurrence, dissents (No. 09-0387, [Open Beaches Act](#), sending the case back to Houston federal district court for retrial), U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit, May 21, 2012
- [Carol Severance v. Jerry Patterson, et al.](#), Opinion, concurrence, dissents (No. 09-0387, [Open Beaches Act](#), withdrawing opinion and dissents of November 5, 2010, and substituting opinions on this date), Supreme Court of Texas, March 30, 2012
- ["Galveston Beach Homeowners Prepare to Exert Rights: Battle May Be Looming After High Court Ruling,"](#) *Houston Chronicle*, May 9, 2012
- ["Rolling Easements as a Response to Sea Level Rise in Coastal Texas: Current Status of the Law after Severance v. Patterson,"](#) *Journal of Land Use*, Spring 2011
- ["Severance v. Patterson: Does Enforcement of the Texas Open Beaches Act Constitute a 'Taking',"](#) *Southern Journal of Business and Ethics*, Vol. 3, 2011
- ["Various Aspects of Beach Management,"](#) *The Daily News*, June 23, 2012

Topic: *Texas Rice Lands v. Denbury Green Pipeline* (property rights and pipeline companies); *La Salle Pipeline, LP v. Donnell Lands, LP*

- ["Court Denies Eminent Domain Rehearing on Pipeline,"](#) *Houston Chronicle*, March 2, 2012
- [Texas Rice Land Partners, Ltd. and Mike Latta v. Denbury Green Pipeline-Texas, LLC](#) (No. 09-0901, denying motion for rehearing and substituting opinion, 'common carrier' pipelines) , Supreme Court of Texas, March 2, 2012
- [Texas Rice Land Partners, Ltd. and Mike Latta v. Denbury Green Pipeline-Texas, LLC](#) (No. 09-0901, 'common carrier' pipelines) , Supreme Court of Texas, August 26, 2011
- [LaSalle Pipeline, LP v. Donnell Lands, L.P.](#), Petition for review (No. 11-0226, including decision and award of the Special Commissioners, jury verdict, trial and San Antonio appeals court rulings) , Supreme Court of Texas, March 28, 2011

July 25th

Senate [Subcommittee on Flooding & Evacuations](#) **CANCELLED**

Charge: Communication options during evacuations

- ["5 Ways to Use Social Media for Better Emergency Response,"](#) *Government Computer News*, September 2, 2010

- "Social Media in a 9-1-1 World," *9-1-1 Magazine*, April 30, 2012
- "Spanish-Language Emergency Alerts Coming to South Texas," *Brownsville Herald*, July 7, 2012
- "Williamson County Earns National Awards for Use of Social Media," *Austin American-Statesman*, December 26, 2011

Charge: Services to evacuated residents, experiences from other heavy flooding states

- Disaster Mitigation Best Practices Database, Federal Emergency Management Agency
- "Frustration Grows for Texas Wildfire Evacuees," *USA Today*, September 10, 2011
- "Officials: State Better Prepared for Hurricane Season," *Texas Tribune*, June 19, 2012
- *Promising Practices for Evacuating People With Disabilities*, Inclusion Research Institute, January 2010
- *State of Texas Emergency Management Plan*, Texas Department of Public Safety, May 2012

Charge: Drainage infrastructure funding

- "County Plan Fixes Local, Regional Drainage Problems," *McAllen Monitor*, January 7, 2012
- "FEMA Awards More Than \$1.3M for City of McAllen, TX Drainage System Upgrade," Federal Emergency Management Agency, January 19, 2012
- *Texas Municipal Drainage Utility Survey*, Espey Consultants Inc., updated May 2012

July 30th

Joint Committee on Public School Finance System

Charge: Public school finance system

- School Finance in Texas, Legislative Reference Library, April 5, 2012
- "School Finance Trial Could Spill into January," *Austin American Statesman*, July 11, 2012
- "An Updated Guide to Texas School Finance Lawsuits," *Texas Tribune*, July 3, 2012
- *Understanding State School Funding*, Education Commission of the States, June 2012

July 31st

Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

Charge: Health care innovation, including translational research and Cancer Prevention Research Institute

- *Agency Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2011-2015*, Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas, June 28, 2010
- Health Care Innovation Awards: Project Profiles and Texas Grant Projects, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, awarded May-June 2012
- *Texas Cancer Plan 2012*, Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas, April 2012

Charge: Medicaid Home and Community Based Services waivers

- Home and Community-Based Services (HCS), Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services, updated July 2, 2012
- Section 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waivers (state database), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
- *States' Plans to Pursue New and Revised Options for Home- and Community-Based Services* (GAO-12-649), U.S. Government Accountability Office, June 13, 2012
- *Texas: Home and Community-Based Services*, State Health Facts, Kaiser Family Foundation

Charge: Implementation of legislation, including U.S. Department of Justice settlement agreement to address State Supported Living Centers

- [State Supported Living Center \(SSLC\) Monitoring](#) and [U.S. Department of Justice Monitoring Team Reports](#), Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services

August 1st

Senate Committees on [Health & Human Services](#) and [State Affairs](#) (Joint Hearing)

Charge: Potential impact of Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) on insurance regulations, Medicaid and CHIP, health care outcomes and overall health of all Texans, and the state budget in Texas; current constitutional challenges to PPACA

- [A Guide to the Supreme Court's Affordable Care Act Decision](#), Kaiser Family Foundation, July 2012
- [Keeping Children's Coverage Strong in the Context of the Affordable Care Act: Perspectives From State Children's Health Insurance Leaders](#), National Academy for State Health Policy, May 2012
- [Medicaid Coverage and Spending in Health Reform: National and State-By-State Results for Adults at or Below 133% FPL](#), Urban Institute and Kaiser Family Foundation, May 2010
- [National Federation of Independent Business v. Sebelius](#), U.S. Supreme Court, June 28, 2012
- [Presentation to House Select Committee on Federal Legislation, Federal Health Care Reform – Impact to Texas Health and Human Services](#) (HHSC Medicaid/CHIP cost estimates, 2014-2023, GR cost \$27 billion with full provider rate increase for primary care), Thomas Suehs, Executive Director, Texas Health and Human Services Commission Publication, April 22, 2010
- [Presentation to the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Article II: Affordable Care Act](#) (Medicaid expansion costs), Thomas Suehs, Executive Director, Texas Health and Human Services Commission, July 12, 2012
- [----Realizing Health Reform's Potential: How the Affordable Care Act Will Strengthen Primary Care and Benefit Patients, Providers, and Payers](#), Commonwealth Fund, January 4, 2011
- ["State Health Insurance Mandates and the PPACA Essential Benefits Provisions,"](#) National Conference of State Legislatures, July 2012

August 2nd

Joint Committee on [Oversight of Bexar Metropolitan Water District](#)