Interim Hearings - Week of April 30, 2012

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April 30th

House Committee on Public Education

Topic: Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs (DAEPs) and Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Programs (JJAEPs)

- Chapter 37 Safe Schools, (Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs), Texas Education Agency
- "JJAEP students pass '11 reading TAKS", Times Record News, April 9, 2012
- An Analysis of Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs in Texas: The Role of School Districts' Wealth, Location and Size, (An Applied Research Project), Texas State University San Marcos, Fall 2011
- Breaking Schools' Rules: a Statewide Study of How School Discipline Relates to Students' Success and Juvenile Justice Involvement, The Council of State Governments Justice Center, Public Policy Research Institute at Texas A&M University, July 19, 2011
- Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs in Texas, Intercultural Development Research Association, Updated 2009
- Disciplinary Alternative Education Program Practices, Texas Education Agency, August 2007

Senate Committee on Natural Resources (University of Texas of the Permian Basin)

Charge: Dunes sagebrush lizard, implications of endangered species listing for oil and gas industry

- "Save the Sand-Dune Lizard?," National Review Online, April 5, 2011
- "Cornyn Offers Amendment to Block Sand Dune Lizard Listing," Texas Insider, Warch 28, 2012
- Texas Conservation Plan for the Dunes Sagebrush Lizard, Texas Comptroller, February 13, 2012
- Endangered and threatened wildlife and plants: 6-month extension of final determination for the proposed listing of the dunes sagebrush lizard, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, December 5, 2011

 Ecology, Management and Conservation of the Dunes Sagebrush Lizard (research studies and reports), Texas A&MUniversity, last updated October 2011

May 1st

House Committee on County Affairs

Topic: Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program Medicaid 1115 Waiver

- HHSC Gets Approval for Medicaid Improvements, Texas Health and Human Services Commission
- Medicaid 1115 Waiver Texas Health Care Transformation and Quality Improvement Program, Texas Hospital Association
- Medicaid 1115 Waiver, Texas Association of Counties
- "Texas Lawmakers Working to Reform Medicaid," *Texas Tribune*, February 29, 2012
- Presentation to County Judges and Commissioners on Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program 1115 Waiver Update, Texas Health and Human Services Commission, February 7, 2012
- California and Texas: Section 1115 Medicaid Demonstration Waivers Compared, Kaiser Family Foundation, December 2011

May 3rd

House Committee on Ways and Means

Charge: Tobacco manufacturer revenue Charge Removed from agenda 4/26/2012

- A Broken Promise to Our Children: The 1998 State Tobacco Settlement 13 Years Later, Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids, December 7, 2011
- "In Hunt for Revenue, it's Big Tobacco vs. Little," Texas Tribune, May 3, 2011
- "States' Reserves Still Eyed For Some Tobacco Bonds, Despite More Cash," Dow Jones Newswires/Wall Street Journal, April 20, 2012

Charge: Property tax notice requirements and "truth-in-taxation"

- Findings and Recommendations: A Report from the Texas Task Force on Appraisal Reform, January 2007
- Property Tax Basics, Chapter 2, Appraisal, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, January 2012

Charge: Sales and use taxes on data center equipment

• "Megawatts vs. Millions: the Role of Incentives in Data Center Location Decisions," CBRE Inc., February 2011

- Tax Exemptions and Tax Incidence, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Warch 2011
- "States Offering a Variety of Incentives to Attract Data Centers," BNA State Tax Blog, March 21, 2012
- Principles of Data Center Siting and Economic Development Incentives, Biggins Lacy Shapiro & Company, February 23, 2011

Charge: Alternatives to current system of taxation

- The ITEP Guide to Fair State and Local Taxes, Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy, Warch 2011
- State Tax and Spending Policy resources, Tax Foundation

Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations (University of North Texas at Dallas)

Charge: Impact of regulatory requirements on the price of residential housing

- How Government Regulation Affects the Price of a New Home, Economics and Housing Policy Group, National Association of Home Builders, July 5, 2011
- Regulatory Barriers Clearinghouse (affordable housing), U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Office of Policy Development and Research and HUD USER

Charge: Affordable housing

- Affordability in Washington, DC (role of transportation costs in affordable housing), The Center for Neighborhood Technology, prepared for The District of Columbia Office of Planning, July 2011
- Housing an Aging Population Are We Prepared?, Center for Housing Policy, April 2012
- State Policy Options to Support Sustainable and Equitable Development, Center for Housing Policy, September 2011

Charge: Homeless and runaway youth

- Homeless and Runaway Youth (overview and research studies, state policy options, references), National Conference of State Legislatures, Updated April 2010
- Homeless Youth Count Map, National Alliance to End Homelessness, April 12, 2012

Legislative Reference Library of Texas: Interim Hearings - Week of April 30, 2012