

Interim Hearings – Week of November 30, 2015

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December 2nd

Senate Committee on [Intergovernmental Relations](#)

Charge 2: Home rule municipalities' process to adopt ordinances, rules, and regulations, including initiative and referendum

- [Alphabet Soup: Types of Cities](#), Texas Municipal League Legal Department, 2015
- [Handbook for Mayors and Councilmembers](#), Texas Municipal League, 2015
- ["Home Rule Charters," Handbook of Texas Online](#), Texas State Historical Association, June 15, 2010
- [TML City Officials Directory](#) (search by government type: home rule), Texas Municipal League

Charge 3: Natural disaster preparedness planning and coordination

- [Lessons From Texas: 10 Years of Disaster Recovery Examined \(White Paper\)](#), Texas Appleseed, September 17, 2015
- [Congressional Primer on Major Disasters and Emergencies](#), Congressional Research Service, May 19, 2015
- [State of Texas Emergency Management Plan](#) and Annexes, Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Division of Emergency Management, May 2012
- [State of Texas Hazard Mitigation Plan: 2010-2013](#), Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Division of Emergency Management, October 18, 2010, and [2013 Update](#)
- Senate Subcommittee on Flooding and Evacuations, [Interim Report, Report to the 82nd Legislature](#), January 2011
- House Select Committee on Emergency Preparedness, [Interim Report to the 82nd Texas Legislature](#), December 2010
- Senate Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security, [Report to the 81st Legislature](#) (Charge 3, Disaster planning and first response), December 2008
- Senate Interim Committee on Natural Resources, [Interim Report to the 78th](#)

Legislature: Natural Disasters, August 2002

Charge 6: Government accountability in elections regarding issuance of public debt

- *Improving Financial Transparency at the Ballot Box*, Texas Public Policy Foundation, September 2014
- *Your Money and Local Debt*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, September 2012
- *Texas Transparency: Debt at a Glance* (state, counties, cities, independent school districts, community/junior college districts), Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
- *Texas Transparency: Local Bond Elections*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
- *Local Debt Explorer*, Texas Tribune, including data collected by Texas Bond Review Board reflecting debt load as of August 2014

December 3rd

Senate Committee on *Veteran Affairs & Military Installations*, Subcommittee on *Border Security*

Charge: Sanctuary cities

- "Immigration Sanctuary Ban Creates Uncertainty in North Carolina," *New York Times*, November 14, 2015
- "Senate Democrats Block 'Sanctuary Cities' Bill," *Washington Post*, October 20, 2015 and *Stop Sanctuary Policies and Protect Americans Act*, S. 2146, 114th Cong. (2015-2016)
- "Sanctuary Cities," Trust Acts, and Community Policing Explained, American Immigration Council, October 2015
- "Numerous Texas Cities Offering Immigration Sanctuary," *Watchdog.org*, July 17, 2015
- *The Criminalization of Immigration in the United States*, American Immigration Council, July 8, 2015
- *Debunking the Myth of "Sanctuary Cities": Community Policing Policies Protect American Communities*, Immigration Policy Center, March 2009
- Op. Tex. Att'y Gen. No. GA-0669 (2009), Local government policies that hinder enforcement of federal immigration laws (RQ-0733-GA), Attorney General of Texas, March 19, 2009
- "Sanctuary Cities": *Legal Issues*, Congressional Research Service, January 15, 2009
- *Enforcing Immigration Law: The Role of State and Local Law Enforcement*, Congressional Research Service, Updated May 4, 2006

- [Tribpedia: Sanctuary Cities](#), Texas Tribune