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House Committee on [Higher Education](#)

Charge: Strategies and business models for funding General Academic institutions.

- [Performance-Based Funding for Higher Education](#), Nation Conference of State Legislatures, March 5, 2014
- [Business Model Innovation in Higher Education \(Part 1\)](#), and [Business Model Innovation in Higher Education \(Part 2\)](#), Acrobatiq (Carnegie Mellon University), February 13 & 21, 2014
- ["Search Still On for Higher Ed Performance-Funding Model," Texas Tribune](#), January 7, 2014
- ["NM College, University Presidents Propose New State Funding Model," Las Cruces Sun-News](#), October 29, 2013
- [Exploring Higher Education Business Models \(If Such a Thing Exists\)](#), New England Board of Higher Education, October 8, 2013
- [University Business Models and Online Practices: A Third Way](#), Online Journal of Distance Learning Administration, March 2013
- [Financing Higher Education in Texas: Legislative Primer](#), Legislative Budget Board, February 2013

Senate Committee on [Business & Commerce](#)

Charge: Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) business practices, litigation, exposure reduction, qualifications for building inspectors conducting inspections

- [2014 Annual Report Card](#), Texas Windstorm Insurance Association, May 30, 2014
- [Report to the 82nd Legislature](#), Windstorm Insurance Legislative Oversight Board, February 2011

- *Report to the 82nd Legislature* (Charge 1: HB 4409 and Texas Windstorm Insurance Association), Senate Committee on Business and Commerce, December 2010

Charge: Texas FAIR Plan's organizational and financial structure as the state's insurer of last resort for residential homeowner's insurance coverage

- *Texas FAIR Plan*, including *Frequently Asked Questions*

Topic: Updates from the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the Office of Public Utility Counsel, and the Electric Reliability Council of Texas

House Committees on *Insurance* and *Land & Resource Management* (Joint Hearing)

Charge: Examine opportunities to improve the resiliency of the Texas coast to withstand tropical storms. Study hazard mitigation, building codes, and insurance. Coordinate as necessary with the joint interim committee created by *HB3459* (83R).

- *"Texas' Gulf Coast, Still Battered From Ike, Not Ready for Next Storm," Texas Tribune*, August 7, 2014
- *2014 Annual Report Card*, Texas Windstorm Insurance Association, May 30, 2014
- *Hurricane Preparedness*, Sea Grant Texas at Texas A&M University, last updated January 2014
- *The Adoption and Implementation of Hazard Mitigation Policies and Strategies by Coastal Jurisdictions in Texas: The Planning Survey Results* Hazard Reduction and Recovery Center, College of Architecture, Texas A&M University, December 2011
- *Developing Building Codes for Coastal Properties: Interim Report to the 81st Texas Legislature*, Senate Committee on Business and Commerce, May 25, 2009
- *"Community Resilience Index: Empowering Coastal Communities to Improve Hazard Management,"* Sea Grant Texas at Texas A&M University
- *Hazard Mitigation*, Texas General Land Office

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House Select Committee on *Child Protection*

Border Support Operations, Sunset staff recommendations, Child Protective Services workforce, use of data to improve outcomes

- *Sunset Staff Report with Commission Decisions* (Issues 1, 2, 5, and 6),

Department of Family and Protective Services, August 2014

- "Children in Danger: A Guide to the Humanitarian Challenge at the Border," American Immigration Council, July 10, 2014
- "CPS Workers Spend Only 26% of Their Time with Families," *San Antonio Express-News*, June 18, 2014
- *DFPS CPS Operational Review*, The Stephen Group, June 2014

House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism **CANCELLED**

Topic: Efforts to preserve and promote the Alamo building and history, and redevelopment of HemisFair Park

- *Alamo Area Experience Plan Update (Draft)*, Alamo Plaza Advisory Committee, City of San Antonio, August 26, 2014
- *HemisFair Framework & Master Plan*, HemisFair Park Area Redevelopment Corporation, February 2012

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House Committee on Energy Resources

Study the implementation of SB 1747 (83R) to ensure effective implementation in keeping with legislative intent.

- "Damaged by Oil," *San Antonio Express-News*, July 25, 2014
- *County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program Frequently Asked Questions*, Texas Department of Transportation, May 27, 2014
- *County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program*, Texas Department of Transportation
- *Final rules*, 43 TAC §§ 15.180-15.196, County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program

Joint Committee on Border Wait Times

Topic: Opportunities and efficiencies in border crossings

- "Improving Border-Crossing Wait Times," *Texas Transportation Researcher*, Texas A&M Transportation Institute, December 2013
- *U.S.-Mexico Border: CBP Action Needed to Improve Wait Time Data and Measure Outcomes of Trade Facilitation Efforts*, U.S. Government Accountability Office, July 2013
- "Using RFID Readers to Measure Wait Times at the U.S.-Mexico Border," *Texas Transportation Researcher*, Texas A&M Transportation Institute, March 2013

- *Interim Report to the 82nd Legislature (Texas-Mexico Border Crossing)*, Senate Committee on International Relations and Trade, February 2011
- *Border Wait Times*, Mexican Border Ports of Entry, U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- *Border Crossing/Entry Data* (through December 2013), U.S. Department of Transportation, Research and Innovative Technology Administration