

Interim Hearings – Week of September 1, 2014

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House Committee on [Human Services](#)

Charge: Legislative oversight and monitoring of agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction, including implementation of the Balancing Incentives Program and legislation passed by the 83rd Legislature

- [Balancing Incentive Program](#) and [BIP Workplan](#), Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services, Updated July 10, 2014
- [Balancing Incentive Program](#) (Issue Brief), Legislative Budget Board, January 2013
- [Balancing Incentive Program](#) (Work Plan, Deliverables, State Activities, FAQs), Mission Analytics Group under contract with Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services

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House Committee on [Appropriations](#)

Topic: Strategic Fiscal Review directive by the Speaker of the House

- ["Texas House Increasing Budget Scrutiny,"](#) Speaker Joe Straus, *San Antonio Express-News*, August 19, 2014
- ["Straus Orders Tighter Scrutiny of a Dozen Agencies, Programs,"](#) *Dallas Morning News*, Trail Blazers Blog, August 12, 2014
- ["Speaker Straus Launches Budget Reforms"](#) (Press release), Speaker Joe Straus, August 12, 2014

House Committees on [Higher Education](#) and [Human Services](#) (Joint Hearing)

Charge: Foster youth in higher education

- ["Colleges Reach Out to Foster Youths,"](#) *Community College Daily*, July 7, 2014
- ["Few Foster Care Alumni Receive Higher Ed Benefits" and Slideshow: Foster Care Alumni Who Made It to College,](#) *Texas Tribune*, June 13, 2014
- [Education Reach for Texans](#)
- [Texas Youth Connection,](#) Department of Family and Protective Services
- [Students in Foster Care](#) (Postsecondary Education and Training), U.S. Department of Education
- [Foster Care & Student Success Resource Guide](#) (Ch. 13, Transitioning Out of Foster Care and Post-Secondary Education Opportunities), Texas Education Agency

House Committee on [Transportation Funding, Expenditures & Finance, Select](#)

Topics: Potential revenue sources, Identified savings and efficiencies (per [HB 1](#), 83rd 3rd C.S.), Surplus property report, Debt reduction possibilities, Funding formula presentation

- ["Mileage Fee Not Ready to Replace Gas Tax,"](#) *The Bond Buyer*, August 18, 2014
- [Transportation Funding and Finance Legislation Database,](#) National Conference of State Legislatures, last updated August 12, 2014
- [August 5, 2014 Notice, Minutes, Witnesses, Handouts/Presentations](#)
- ["Congress Approves Highway Funding Fix at Last Minute, but the Problem Isn't Solved,"](#) Fort Worth Star-Telegram, August 3, 2014
- [Overview of Selected Transportation Taxes and Fees, State Highway Fund Appropriations, and Federal Highway Funds](#) (presentation), Legislative Budget Board, June 24, 2014
- [Transportation Policy Research Center: Finance,](#) including testimony to the Texas Legislature, Texas A&M Transportation Institute

House Committee on [State Affairs](#)

Charge: Methods state agencies use for planning for investment in future infrastructure

- [Capital Budgeting in the States,](#) National Association of State Budget Officers, Spring 2014
- [Report Card for America's Infrastructure: Texas,](#) American Society of Civil Engineers, 2012-2013
- [Setting Priorities, Meeting Needs: The Case for a National Infrastructure Bank,](#) Brookings Institution, December 13, 2012
- [State Legislative Infrastructure Priorities,](#) National Conference of State

Legislatures, October 2012

Charge: State agency contracting

- *State of Texas Contract Management Guide*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, March 2014
- *Interim Report to the 83rd Legislature* (Charge: Interlocal contracts), House Committee on Government Efficiency & Reform, January 2013
- *Interim Report to the 83rd Legislature* (Charge: Procurement and state contracting), House Committee on State Affairs, December 2012
- *82nd Texas Legislature Interim Report* (Charge 3: State bidding process and contract management protocols), Senate Committee on Government Organization, December 2012
- *The State of Texas Procurement Manual*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, 2012

Charge: Legislative oversight and monitoring of agencies and programs

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Joint Interim Committee on [Education Policy for a Skilled Workforce](#)

Charge: Linking postsecondary education with the needs of the labor market, high school and postsecondary curricula requirements, opportunities for new education-workforce partnerships, and the impact of emerging industrial sectors on the Texas workforce

- *Workforce: Capitalizing on our Human Assets*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, July 23, 2014
- "Gregg County Launches State's First Workforce Initiative," *Longview News-Journal*, Updated June 24, 2014 and [ACT Certified Work Ready Communities](#)
- "New Effort Launches to Fill thousands of Jobs in 3 Years," *Houston Business Journal*, June 23, 2014, and [UpSkill Houston](#) (Workforce Development Action Plan), Greater Houston Partnership
- *Economic Impact of the Texas A&M Health Science Center Biocorridor: The future is Bright*, Vital Record, Texas A&M Health Science Center, January 31, 2014
- *Resurgence of an Industry*, Economic Pulse, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, 2014
- *Middle-Skill Spotlight: An Analysis of Four In-demand Sectors with a*

Community College Focus, Economic Modeling Specialists Intl., 2014

Charge: Career and technical education's impact on high school graduation, transitions to postsecondary education, industry-based certification, a postsecondary certificate, or an associate's degree

- *Workforce: Capitalizing on our Human Assets* (see *Paths to Success*), Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, July 23, 2014
- *Career Technical Education and Outcomes in Texas High Schools: a Monograph*, Texas Workforce Investment Council, April 2013
- *Career and Technical Education and Career and Technical Education – Accountability*, Texas Education Agency
- *Achieve Texas College and Career Initiative*, Texas Education Agency
- *CTE Early College High Schools Initiative*, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board