Interim Hearings – Week of December 7, 2015

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Today's Committee Meetings on the LRL website is a calendar of interim committee hearings with links to agendas. Below are resources related to upcoming Interim Hearings.

December 7th

Senate Committee on Education

Charge: Charter schools, implementation of SB 2, 83rd Legislature, R.S.

- Charter School Performance in Texas, Center for Research on Education Outcomes (CREDO), Stanford University, July 22, 2015
- The Status of Charter Schools in Texas: Dispelling the Myths and Analyzing the Realities, Children At Risk, April 24, 2015
- Charter School Laws Across the States: Rankings and Scorecard, Center for Education Reform, 2015
- "Chartering a New Course in Education," Fiscal Notes, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, July 17, 2014
- Charter Schools, Charter School Finance, Charter School Reports, Texas Education Agency

Charge: Teacher-student relationships

- "Texas Sees Rising Number of Improper Teacher-Student Relationships," Austin American-Statesman, September 3, 2015
- "Texas Safe Schools Week: Shared Responsibility in Identifying, Reporting Inappropriate Educator-Student Relationships," Texas Education Agency, October 23, 2014
- Federal Agencies Can Better Support State Efforts to Prevent and Respond to Sexual Abuse by School Personnel, U.S. Government Accountability Office, January 2014
- Katelyn Burch Busby, "EDUCATION—Student-Teacher Relationship—Should Teachers Be Held to a Higher Standard? Understanding the Laws Governing Sexual Relationships Between Students and Teachers in Primary and Secondary Schools Paschal v. State, 2012 Ark. 127, 388 S.W. 3d 429," 36 U. Ark. Little Rock L. Rev. 103 (2013)

 James R. Baez & Kerri E. Caufield, "Drawing a Line in the Shifting Sand of Social Media: Attempting to Prevent Teachers From 'Liking' a Student Outside the Classroom," 30 Hofstra Lab. & Emp. L.J. 263 (2012)

Senate Select Committee on Property Tax Reform & Relief

Organizational hearing

- "The (Long, Long) History of the Texas Property Tax," Fiscal Notes, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, October 2015
- "Property Tax Legislation 2015," Real Estate Center at Texas A&MUniversity, August 20, 2015
- Property Tax Relief Options for State Governments, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, National Conference of State Legislatures, August 2, 2015
- 50-State Property Tax Comparison Study, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, Mnnesota Center for Fiscal Excellence, April 2015
- Estimating Tax Savings from Homestead Exemptions and Property Tax Credits, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, April 2015
- Senate Committee on Finance, *Interim Charge Recommendations to the 82nd Legislature* (Charge: Property Tax System), January 2011
- House Select Committee on Property Tax Relief and Appraisal Reform, *Interim* Report to the 81st Texas Legislature, December 2008

December 8th

Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

Charge: Agricultural liens

- James D. Eggleston, Jr., Land, Crops, Cows: Farm and Ranch Acquisition and Financing Issues: "From the First Day You Lay Eyes on Paradise Until You Sell Your Last Cow" (preview, "agricultural liens defined"), presented at The University of Texas School of Law, 48th Annual William W. Gibson, Jr. Mortgage Lending, September 18-19, 2014, Austin, Texas, and October 2-3, 2014, Dallas, Texas
- Principles of Feedyard Lending and Marketing, prepared for Texas Cattle Feeders Association, April 2, 2013

Charge: Litter

- Environmental Effects of the Single Use Bag Ordinance in Austin, Texas, Austin Resource Recovery & Zero Waste Advisory Commission, June 10, 2015
- How Green Is that Grocery Bag Ban? An Assessment of the Environmental and Economic Effects of Grocery Bag Bans and Taxes, Reason Foundation, June 18, 2014
- States with Littering Penalties, National Conference of State Legislatures, updated March 2014
- Litter Facts & Research, including 2013 Attitudes and Behaviors Study and 2013 Litter Prevention Research Study, Texas Department of Transportation
- The Potential Economic Impact of a Texas Beverage Container Deposit Refund System (litter reduction), prepared for Texas League of Conservation Voters, TXP, Inc., 2013

Charge: Agricultural marketing and promotion, Texas Department of Agriculture's Market Development Services

- Texas State Resources, Agricultural Marketing Resource Center, Iowa State University
- Warketing Programs, Texas A&MAgriLife Extension
- Go Texan, Texas Department of Agriculture
- Agricultural Warketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture
- National Agricultural Statistics Service Texas Field Office (Texas agricultural statistics, county estimates, Census of Agriculture for Texas, crop and livestock reports), U.S. Department of Agriculture

Charge: Game animals, domestic fowl, disease and harmful pests

- Fowl Registration Facts, Texas Animal Health Commission, November 2012
- House Committee on Agriculture and Livestock, *Interim Report to the 82nd Texas Legislature* (Charge 1 tick-borne disease in livestock, plant pests and diseases), January 2011
- Game Animals and Game Management in Texas, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department
- Insects Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Texas A&MAgriLife Extension

December 10th

House Committee on Appropriations

Topic: Texas Child Support Enforcement System 2.0

- "A Troubled State Contract Gets Renewed Scrutiny, But Who Is To Blame?," Austin American Statesman, October 31, 2015
- "Upgrade of AG's Child Support System Facing Problems," Texas Tribune, July 16, 2015
- IV&V Review Services for the State of Texas OAG CSD TXCSES 2.0 (T2)

 Program (Semi-Annual Review Report VOLUNE I Version 2.0 Final), UT Austin,

 Advanced Research in Software Engineering Center (UT ARiSE), September 12,

 2014
- TXCSES 2.0 Initiative Status Report (2011) and TXCSES 2.0 Initiative Status Report (2013), Texas Attorney General's Office
- The Development of the Texas Child Support Enforcement System 2.0 at the Office of the Attorney General, Texas State Auditor's Office, July 2011

House Committee on State Affairs

Charge: Undocumented immigrants

- "Trust in Immigration Enforcement: State Noncooperation and Sanctuary Cities after Secure Communities", Chicago Kent Law Review, last revised November 27, 2015
- State Laws Related to Immigration and Immigrants (2015 Immigration Report),
 National Conference of State Legislatures, August 3, 2015
- State and Local "Sanctuary" Policies Limiting Participation in Immigration Enforcement, Congressional Research Service, July 10, 2015
- Guidance on State and Local Governments' Assistance in Immigration Enforcement and Related Matters, U. S. Department of Homeland Security, updated July 9, 2015
- Final Report of The President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing (1.9.1 Action Item: Decouple federal immigration enforcement from routine local policing), President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing, May 2015
- "Who is Responsible for U.S. Immigration Policy?", Insights on Law & Society, Spring 2014
- "Which States Make Life Easier or Harder for Illegal Immigrants" and "States Are Divided by the Lines They Draw on Immigration," New York Times, March 29, 2015
- Authority of State and Local Police to Enforce Federal Immigration Law, Congressional Research Service, September 10, 2012
- Enforcing Immigration Law at the State and Local Levels: A Public Policy Dilemma, Rand Center on Quality Policing, 2010
- Interim Report to the 81st Texas Legislature (Border Security Charge), Senate Committee on International Relations and Trade, January 2009
- Interim Report to the 81st Texas Legislature (Charge 15), Senate Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security, December 2008
- Tribpedia: Immigration, Texas Tribune

December 10th - CANCELLED

House Administration Committee

Topic: Select committee budgets