

Interim Hearings - Week of December 17, 2012

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December 18th

House Interim Committee on [Manufacturing, Interim](#)

Topic: Recommendations for the House, invited and public testimony

Senate Committee on [Natural Resources](#)

Charge: Texas Emissions Reduction Program and National Ambient Air Quality Standards

- [Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Biennial Report \(2011-2012\): A Report to the 83rd Texas Legislature](#), Texas Commission on Environmental Equality, December 2012
- [Texas Air Quality Status and the Texas Emission Reduction Plan](#) (Powerpoint presentation), Clean Air Through Energy Efficiency Conference, October 10, 2012
- [The State Implementation Plan & New EPA Standards and Rules that Impact Texas: Moving Forward](#) (Powerpoint presentation), Lone Star Chapter, Sierra Club, September 26, 2012
- [Overview of the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan \(TERP\)](#) (Powerpoint presentation), Legislative Budget Board, July 10, 2012
- [TERP Reports and Publications](#), Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- [National Ambient Air Quality Standards \(NAAQS\)](#), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Senate Committee on [Transportation](#)

Charge: Panama Canal expansion and Texas' cargo and shipping industry, Houston Ship Channel Security

- ["Panama Canal Upgrade To Increase Traffic, But Is Houston Ready, Asks Texas A&M Expert,"](#) *Maritime Executive*, November 20, 2012

- ["Texas Highways, Heavy Trucks, and the Panama Canal,"](#) *Texas Weekly*, October 5, 2012
- ["Potential Effects of the Panama Canal Expansion on the Texas Transportation System,"](#) Cambridge Systematics, Inc., October 2011
- [Panama Canal Stakeholder Working Group,](#) Texas Department of Transportation
- ["'Ring of Steel' Taking Shape at Port,"](#) *Houston Chronicle*, updated November 9, 2012
- [Resources and FAQs,](#) Houston Ship Channel Security District

Charge: Oversize and overweight vehicles

- ["Why the Legislature May Target Drillers' Overweight Trucks,"](#) *StateImpact*, November 6, 2012
- ["Oversize/Overweight Vehicle Permit Fee Study](#) (Rider 36 OS/OW Vehicle Fees Study), Center for Transportation Research at The University of Texas at Austin, October 2012
- [Oversize and Overweight Load Permits,](#) Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

Charge: Toll collection and enforcement tools to pursue toll scofflaws

- [Mobility Investment Priorities \(Rider 42 Reports\), Traffic Management Strategies, Electronic Toll Collection Systems,](#) [Executive Summary](#) and [Technical Information,](#) Texas A&M Transportation Institute, 2012
- ["Georgia's State Toller Offers Mobile Phone 'App' for Account Management on Express Lanes,"](#) *Toll Roads News*, January 21, 2012

Charge: Natural gas fueling infrastructure, electric vehicle charging stations and alternative-fueled vehicles

- ["TxDOT Launches Natural Gas Pilot Fleet Program,"](#) Texas Department of Transportation, November 14, 2012
- ["Austin Shop Leading Way in Auto Conversion to Natural Gas,"](#) *Austin American-Statesman*, October 7, 2012
- ["Transportation Energy for the Future: A Guide for Policymakers](#) (electric vehicles, p. 20), National Conference of State Legislatures, March 2012
- ["Plugging in to the Electric Car Scene in Texas](#) resource page and [Will Electric Cars Strain the Texas Grid?](#), February 15, 2012, *StateImpact*, National Public Radio (NPR)
- ["Electric Vehicle Policies, Fleet, and Infrastructure: Synthesis,"](#) Washington State Department of Transportation, November 2011

- *One Million Electric Vehicles By 2015: February 2011 Status Report*, U.S. Department of Energy, February 2011

Charge: Sunset Advisory Committee recommendations; Proposition 12

- *Proposition 12 Project Tracker*, Texas Department of Transportation, updated December 3, 2012
- "Texas Releases List of State's Most Congested Roads," *Texas Tribune*, September 7, 2012
- *Mobility Investment Priorities Project: Early Recommendations Report*, Texas Transportation Institute, February 2012
- *Final Report: Texas Department of Transportation*, Sunset Advisory Commission, July 2011

December 19th

Sunset Advisory Commission - Meeting Materials, Sunset Reports - 83rd Legislature

- Public Testimony
 - Texas Facilities Commission
 - Department of Information Resources
 - Procurement and Support Services Division of the Comptroller of Public Accounts
 - Public Utility Commission of Texas
 - Railroad Commission of Texas
- Commission Decisions
 - Texas Board of Architectural Examiners
 - Texas Education Agency
 - Texas Board of Professional Engineers
 - Self-Directed Semi-Independent Agency Project Act

December 20th

House Committee on *Appropriations*

Topic: Program operations and funding considerations at the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and General Land Office

