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House Committee on Ways & Means

Charge 1: Aspects of the property tax system that contribute to rising property tax levies and taxpayer dissatisfaction

- Senate Select Committee for Property Tax Reform & Relief, committee information, video/audio archives, documents and downloads, and presentations, including Overview of Property Tax System in Texas, December 7, 2015
- *Interim Charge Recommendations to the 82nd Legislature* (Property Tax System), Senate Committee on Finance, January 2011
- *Interim Report to the 82nd Texas Legislature* (Property Tax Appraisals), House Committee on Ways & Means, January 2011
- *Interim Report to the 81st Legislature*, House Select Committee on Property Tax Relief and Appraisal Reform, December 2008
- *Findings and Recommendations: a Report from the Texas Task Force on Appraisal Reform*, Texas Task Force on Appraisal Reform, January 2007
- Texas Property Tax System, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Charge 2: Impact of franchise tax repeal

- *Economic Effects of Eliminating Texas' Business Margin Tax*, Texas Public Policy Foundation, March 2015
- *Tax Exemptions & Tax Incidence: A Report to the Governor and the 84th Legislature* (Franchise tax), Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, March 2015
- *The Texas Margin Tax: A Failed Experiment*, Tax Foundation, January 2015

Charge 3: Impact of ongoing tax litigation, including *American Multi-Cinema, Inc. v. Hegar*, on revenue stability

- *Southwest Royalties, Inc. v. Glenn Hegar, Comptroller of Public Accounts*; Opinion (No. 14-0743), Supreme Court of Texas, June 17, 2016
- "Texas Budget Spared in Court Ruling on Drilling Tax Case," *Texas Tribune*, June 17, 2016
- "Multiple Lawsuits Could Spell Budget Doomsday for State," *Texas Tribune*, March 31, 2016
- "Franchise Tax Lawsuit Could Cost $1.5 Billion a Year," *Fiscal Notes*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, June-July 2015
- *American Multi-Cinema, Inc. et al. v. Glenn Hegar et al.*; Memorandum opinion, April 30, 2015; Appellees'/cross-appellants' motion for rehearing and for reconsideration en banc, June 5, 2015

Charge 4: State Auditor's review of Chapter 313 agreements

- *An Audit Report on Selected Major Agreements Under the Texas Economic Development Act*, Texas State Auditor's Office, August 2015
- *Report of the Texas Economic Development Act*, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, January 2015
- *An Audit Report on Selected Major Agreements Under the Texas Economic Development Act*, Texas State Auditor's Office, November 2014
- *Interim Report to the 81st Texas Legislature* (Joint Charge 3 - Texas Economic Development Act), House Committee on Economic Development and House Committee on Energy Resources, January 2009
- *Interim Report* (Charge 3 - Texas Economic Development Act), Senate Finance Subcommittee on Property Appraisal and Revenue Caps, January 2009
- Tax Code Chapter 313 - Value Limitation and Tax Credits (forms and reports, school value limitation agreement documents, statutes and rules, guidelines and frequently asked questions), Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Charge 6: Competitiveness of Texas' tax structure for marine goods and services compared to other states

- *Texas Property Tax Exemptions* (marine cargo containers), Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, January 2016
- *Texas Tax Code §11.25*, Marine Cargo Containers Used Exclusively in International Commerce

Charge 8: Implementation of increased residence homestead exemption as approved by the voters in Proposition 1 (SJR 1, 84th Legislature, R.S.)

September 28 Top

House Committees on Appropriations and Public Education (Joint Hearing)

Charges related to school finance including, but not limited to, Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction (ASATR), recapture, and the Cost of Education Index (CEI)

- *Manual for Districts Subject to Wealth Equalization: 2016-2017 School Year*, Texas Education Agency Office of School Finance, Spring 2016
- *Texas School Finance: Basics and Reform*, Texas Public Policy Foundation, March 2016
- *The Facts About Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction (ASATR)*, Texas School Coalition, 2016
- *Chapter 41 Wealth Equalization* (Laws, rules, reports), Texas Education Agency
- *School Finance Made Easy Part 1: Educational Instruction and Operation*, Center for Public Policy Priorities, 2015
- *An Introduction to School Finance in Texas*, TTARA Research Foundation, Revised June 2014
- *Competing Perspectives on the Cost of Education*, National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, 2003
- *A Study of Uncontrollable Variations in the Cost of Texas Public Education: A Summary Report Prepared for the 77th Texas Legislature* (*Technical Supplement*), Charles A. Dana Center at the University of Texas at Austin, November 1, 2000
- *19 Texas Administrative Code §§203.1-203.3*, Cost of Education Index
- *Texas Education Code §42.2516*, Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction
- *19 Texas Administrative Code §61.1011*, Additional State Aid for Tax Reduction (ASATR)
- School Finance Litigation Archive, Texas Legislative Reference Library

House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

Topic: Border security and operations, including efforts of local law enforcement

- Life on the Border: Examining Border Security through the Eyes of Local Residents and Law Enforcement, Border and Maritime Security Subcommittee, Homeland Security Committee, May 9, 2016
- Interim Hearings - Week of March 21, 2016, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations, Subcommittee on Border Security, Legislative Reference Library, March 14, 2016
- Border Security Statistics, Texas Department of Public Safety

Topic: Legislative oversight and monitoring of agencies

House Committee on Transportation, Subcommittee on Contraflow Lanes and Gross Weight Allowances

Charge 1: Texas Department of Transportation's role in responding to natural disasters

- Hurricane Information and Hurricane Evacuation Contraflow Publications, Texas Department of Transportation

Charge 7: Oversize or overweight corridors

- *Interim Report to the 83rd Legislature* (Oversize and overweight vehicles), The Senate Transportation Committee, February 2013
- *Accommodating Oversize and Overweight Loads: Technical Report*, Texas Transportation Institute, July 2012
- Oversize/Overweight Permits, Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

House Committee on Transportation, Subcommittee on Long-term Infrastructure Planning

Topic: Transportation funding mechanisms, including Texas Emissions Reduction Plan funds, reduction and rededication of Motor Fuels Tax Collection timely payment deduction including Comptrollers administrative and enforcement allowance associated with motor fuels tax collection

- Overview of Major Transportation Funding Actions by the 84th Legislature and Selected Alternative Funding Options (Presentation), Legislative Budget Board, September 2015
- Sources and Uses of the Clean Air Account and Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Account (Presentation), Legislative Budget Board, September 2015
- *Transportation Funding Options: Legislative Policy Report*, Legislative Budget Board, February 2015
- *Interim Report to the 84th Legislature*, Senate Select Committee on Transportation Funding, Expenditures & Finance, January 2015
- *Interim Report to the 84th Legislature*, House Select Committee on Transportation Funding, Expenditures & Finance, December 2014
- Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP), Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Topic: Transportation reinvestment zones for use by municipalities and counties transportation funding

- Op. Tex. Att'y Gen. No. KP-0004 (2015), The authority of a county to form and operate transportation reinvestment zones, tax increment reinvestment zones, or county energy transportation reinvestment zones in various circumstances, Attorney General of Texas, February 26, 2015
- *Interim Report to the 84th Legislature* (County Authority To Utilize Tax Increment Financing And Transportation Reinvestment Zones), House Committee on Transportation, December 2014
- Transportation Reinvestment Zone, Texas Department of Transportation

Topic: Short or long term funding options that could enhance transportation

construction, design, planning, or maintenance

- *Texas Highway Funding: Legislative Primer*, Legislative Budget Board, April 2016
- Financial Management, Texas Department of Transportation

Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

Charge 1: Implementation of federal regulations

- *States' Reactions to EPA Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards*, National Conference of State Legislatures, April 18, 2016
- *EPA Regulations: Too Much, Too Little, or On Track*?, Congressional Research Service, February 9, 2016
- *The Clean Power Plan: Focus on Implementation and Compliance*, The Brattle Group, January 2016
- *ERCOT Analysis of the Impacts of the Clean Power Plan: Final Rule Update*, Electric Reliability Council of Texas, October 16, 2015
- *Well Within Reach: How Texas Can Comply With and Benefit From the Clean Power Plan*, Environmental Defense Fund, October 2015
- *The Many Problems of the EPA's Clean Power Plan and Climate Regulations: A Primer*, The Heritage Foundation, July 7, 2015
- *Potential Impact of Proposed EPA Regulations on Low Income Groups and Minorities*, National Black Chamber of Commerce, June 2015
- *Analysis of the Impacts of the Clean Power Plan* (Requested by Rep. Lamar Smith), U.S. Energy Information Administration, May 2015
- *Grinding to a Halt: Examining the Impacts of New Ozone Regulations on Key Transportation Projects*, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, 2015
- *Impacts of the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule on the ERCOT System*, Electric Reliability Council of Texas, September 1, 2011

House and Senate Select Committees on State Real Property Data Collection, Reporting, & Assessment (Joint Hearing)

Topics: Update from agencies on the status of the report on the statewide strategy, required by HB 3750, 84th R.S., that will ensure all real property owned by the state is adequately insured; potential benefits of maintaining a comprehensive database of all real property owned by the state

- Real Property Evaluation Reports, Texas General Land Office, 2006-2015
- *Knowing What You Own: An Efficient Government How-To Guide for Managing State and Local Property Inventories*, Reason Foundation, June 2010
- *Best Practices in Real Property Management in State Governments*, U.S. General Services Administration, Office of Real Property, March 2003

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House Committees on Appropriations and Public Education (Joint Hearing)

Charges related to school finance including, but not limited to school facilities

- *Foundation School Program Funding For School Facilities Issue Brief*, Texas Legislative Budget Board, April 2016
- *Instructional Facilities Allotment Program* (Laws, rules, reports), Texas Education Agency
- *School Finance 101: Funding of Texas Public Schools*, Texas Education Agency Office of School Finance, Revised September 2014
- *An Introduction to School Finance in Texas*, TTARA Research Foundation, Revised June 2014
- "The Impact of Facilities on the Cost of Education," *National Tax Journal*, March 2011
- School Finance Litigation Archive, Texas Legislative Reference Library

House Committee on Pensions

Charge 5: Investment performance benchmarks utilized by the state's pension funds and impact of portfolio diversification and short-and long-term market assumptions

- Investment Policy, Employee Retirement System of Texas, August 16, 2016
- *2015 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*, Teacher Retirement System of Texas, November 18, 2015
- *2015 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*, Employee Retirement System of Texas, November 16, 2015
- *Guide to Public Retirement Systems in Texas*, Pension Review Board, February 2015
- *Study of the Financial Health of Texas Public Retirement Systems*, Pension Review Board, December 2014
- Investment Policy Statement, Teacher Retirement System of Texas, Effective October 1, 2014

Senate Select Committee on Property Tax Reform & Relief (Houston)

Charges: Property tax process and Tax burden

- Senate Select Committee for Property Tax Reform & Relief, Committee Information, Video/Audio Archives, Documents and Downloads
- Interim Hearings - Week of March 21, 2016, Senate Select Committee Property Tax Reform & Relief, Legislative Reference Library, March 14, 2016