

## Interim Hearings - Week of October 30, 2017

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November 1

Senate Committee on [Business & Commerce](#)

Charge: Infrastructure security and energy restoration post weather events

- ["Texas: Harvey and the Future of Energy,"](#) E&E News, Environment & Energy Publishing LLC, September 5, 2017
- [From Katrina to Harvey: Storm Resilience in the Age of Shale,](#) Center on Global Energy Policy at Columbia University, August 29, 2017
- [Before and After the Storm: A Compilation of Recent Studies, Programs, and Policies Related to Storm Hardening and Resiliency: Update,](#) Edison Electric Institute, March 2014
- [Texas Energy Assurance Plan,](#) Public Utility Commission of Texas, November 2012
- [Study Regarding the Provision of Electricity During a Natural Disaster or Emergency,](#) Public Utility Commission of Texas, November 1, 2009
- [Cost-Benefit Analysis of the Deployment of Utility Infrastructure Upgrades and Storm Hardening Programs](#) Prepared by Quanta Technology for the Public Utility Commission of Texas, March 4, 2009

Charge: State mortgage requirements regarding the notification of homebuyers on their need for flood insurance in flood plains and flood pool areas

- ["Houston Officials Let Developers Build Homes Inside Reservoirs. But No One Warned Buyers,"](#) Texas Tribune and ProPublica, October 12, 2017
- [2015 Quick Guide: Floodplain Management in Texas,](#) Texas Floodplain Management Association
- [The National Flood Insurance Program Community Status Book Report: Texas: Communities Participating in the National Flood Program,](#) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- [National Flood Insurance Program \(NFIP\),](#) Texas Water Development Board

Charge: Local government regulations, including occupational licenses, related to

## Hurricane Harvey

- "Laws, We Don't Need No Stinking Laws - If They Hamper Texas Hurricane Recovery," *Dallas Morning News*, October 5, 2017
- [Could Occupational Licensing Slow Recovery from Hurricane Harvey?](#), National Conference of State Legislatures, September 6, 2017
- "Harvey Recovery: Can Louisiana Contractors Work in Texas?," *NOLA.com and The Times-Picayune*, September 1, 2017
- "Occupational Licensing and Asymmetric Information: Post-Hurricane Evidence from Florida," *28 Cato Journal* 1 (Winter 2008)
- [Hurricane Harvey: Emergency Help for TDLR Licensees](#), Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation

Charge: Changes to the Texas Constitution for home equity lenders relating to disaster relief

- [Hurricane Harvey Information and Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending Provides Support and Guidance for Lenders and Borrowers Affected by Hurricane Harvey – Home Equity Loans and Home Repairs](#) (Industry Notice), Texas Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending, October 3, 2017
- [Harvey Information and Texas Banking Department Provides Support and Guidance for Financial Institutions and Borrowers Affected by Hurricane Harvey – Home Equity Loans and Home Repairs](#) (Industry Notice), Texas Department of Banking, October 2, 2017
- [Home Equity](#), Finance Commission of Texas
- [Mortgage Payments – Disaster Relief](#), Texas LawHelp.org

## Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

[Hurricane Harvey IGR interim charges](#) (Rebuilding housing and infrastructure, distribution of federal disaster relief funds, debris removal, disaster training)

- [Interim Report to the 85th Legislature](#) (Charge 3, Disaster preparedness planning and coordination, background on process to rebuild housing and efficiency of disaster recovery), Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations, November 2016
- [Lessons From Texas: 10 Years of Disaster Recovery Examined](#), Texas Appleseed, September 15, 2015
- [2017 Disaster and Emergency Resource Page for Housing Counselors - Hurricane Harvey](#), HUD Exchange, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- [The Governor's Commission to Rebuild Texas](#) (Proclamation, operational plan, assistance center, archives)
- [Texas Division of Emergency Management Training Unit](#), Texas Department of Public Safety
- [Texas Emergency Management Preparedness Website](#) (Schedule, Training

Catalog), Texas Department of Public Safety

- [Texas Rebuilds, Hurricane Harvey](#) (Housing information), Texas General Land Office

House Committees on [Public Health](#) and [Human Services](#) (Joint Hearing)

Charge: Public health and human services efforts - response to Hurricane Harvey

- [Hurricane Harvey, Disaster Behavioral Health Services: Resilience – Empowerment – Recovery, and Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Section](#), Texas Department of State Health Services
- [Texas to Conduct Aerial Mosquito Control in Wake of Hurricane Harvey](#) (News Release), September 6, 2017 and [Texas Urges Health Precautions for Residents Affected by Hurricane Harvey](#) (News Release) August 30, 2017, Texas Department of State Health Services
- [Hurricane Harvey Disaster Assistance](#), Texas Health and Human Services Commission
- [Hurricane Response](#) (Current Conditions), Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- [Disaster Relief Resources: Individuals and Families](#), Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs