

## **The House Committee on Corrections**

82nd Legislature

March 6, 2012

10:00 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on February 17, 2012, the House Committee on Corrections met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Madden, at 10:07 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Madden; Hunter; Perry; White; and Workman.

A quorum was present.

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The chair laid out Interim Charge #1 - Monitor the implementation of SB 653 (82R), which created the Texas Juvenile Justice Department. Make any recommendations needed to enhance the integration of the Texas Youth Commission and the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Allen now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair laid out Interim Charge #2 - Study ways to reduce the number of youth referred to the juvenile justice system. Consider the availability of mental health services, diversion and early intervention programs, and other prevention methods.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Parker now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The Chair laid out Interim Charge #3 - Study and make recommendations about issues related to the certification of juveniles as adults.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

At 2:13 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

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Rep. Madden, Chair

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Teri Avery, Clerk