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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: County Affairs

TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Monday, October 20, 2014

PLACE: E2.016

CHAIR: Rep. Garnet Coleman

The Committee will meet to hear testimony on the following interim charges:

Examine population growth in Texas counties and the impact the growth has had on housing, available land resources, businesses in Texas, as well as the impact of growth on the state's economy. Evaluate Texas's preparedness to respond to future growth and ensure economic stability.

Monitor the health advisory panel stemming from HB 3793 (83R).

Continue oversight of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards and issues jails currently face, including the mental health of those in jail, and make recommendations for refinement or improvement of processes and programs.

Conduct legislative oversight and monitoring of the agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction and the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 83rd Legislature. In conducting this oversight, the committee should:

a. consider any reforms to state agencies to make them more responsive to Texas taxpayers and citizens;b. identify issues regarding the agency or its governance that may be appropriate to investigate, improve, remedy, or eliminate;c. determine whether an agency is operating in a transparent and efficient manner; andd. identify opportunities to streamline programs and services while maintaining the mission of the agency and its programs.

The Committee will discuss counties emergency response preparedness as part of legislative oversight.

See Committee Coordinator for previous versions of the schedule, if applicable.

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