

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

COMMITTEE: Appropriations

TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Wednesday, May 18, 2016

PLACE: E1.030

CHAIR: Rep. John Otto

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The committee will meet to hear invited and public testimony on the following interim charges:

Charge 1 (partial): Examine further progress made during the 84th legislative session to reduce reliance on general revenue dedicated accounts for budget certification. Recommend new or alternative methods to further reduce reliance on dedicated accounts for budget certification purposes and maximize usage of dedicated funds for their intended purposes. Examine other accounts and funding streams utilized by state agencies and institutions of higher education for opportunities to further increase budget transparency.

Charge 3: Examine Texas constitutional spending limits compared to limits utilized in other states, evaluate their effectiveness in maintaining fiscal discipline, and recommend potential modifications, if needed.

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**NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT PUBLIC MEETINGS**

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