HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Criminal Jurisprudence

TIME & DATE: 1:30 PM, Monday, March 21, 2016

PLACE: E2.030

CHAIR: Rep. Abel Herrero

The committee will meet to consider the following interim charge:

Study the constitutional requirements and local practices for the appointment of counsel to indigent defendants and the operation of innocence projects at the state's six public law schools. Compare different indigent defense plans and the innocence projects across the state and identify best practices for system management, including appointment methods and timing, cost effectiveness, timeliness of case disposition, compensation of counsel, quality of representation, and protection of procedural rights. Consider the effectiveness of each of the programs currently funded and the funding strategy as a whole.

The committee will hear invited and public testimony.

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