

WITNESS LIST

Human Services Committee

April 13, 2015 - 2:00 PM or upon final adjourn./recess

HB 352

Against:

Francis, Will (National association of social workers - Texas Chapter)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Powell, Judy (Parent Guidance Center)

On:

Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Dewitt, Cathy (Texas Association of Business)
Vera, Colleen (Self)

Against:

Allmon, Jennifer (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops)
Bufkin, Alice (Texans Care for Children)
Cornell, Victor (American Civil Liberties Union of Texas)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)
Graziani, Cate (Mental Health America of Texas)
Hartman, Marilyn (Self)
Heck, Jess (Texas Family Council)
Hiner, Harrison (Texas State Employees Union)
Howell, Jason (Self; Soberhood)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)
Moorhead, Bee (Texas Impact)
Peyson, Robin (Communities for Recovery)
Rosales Elkinsl, Deborah (Self)
Schoeman, Alexa (Self)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)

On:

Bazan, Kim (Health and Human Services Commission)
Estrada, Michael (Health and Human Services Commission)
Kromrei, Elizabeth "Liz" (Department of Family and Protective Services)
Muth, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)
Ramirez, Lisa (DSHS)

HB 570

For:

Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)

WITNESS LIST

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Allmon, Jennifer (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops)
Chatelle, Melody (United Ways of Texas)
Cole, Celia (Feeding Texas)
Dimitry, Lauren (Texans Care for Children)
Dwyer, JC (Feeding Texas)
Green, Kathy (Capital Area Food Bank of Texas and Feeding Texas)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
John, Conrad (Travis County Commissioners Court)
Moorhead, Bee (Texas Impact)
Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)
Smith, Douglas (Self; Texas Criminal Justice Coalition)
Travis, Clayton (Texas Pediatric Society)

Against:

Gerstenschlager, MerryLynn (Self; Texas Eagle Forum - Vice President)
Vera, Colleen (Self)

On:

Stephens, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 620

Against:

Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Dimitry, Lauren (Texans Care for Children)
Green, Kathy (Capital Area Food Bank of Texas and Feeding Texas)
Volkening, Ronnie (Texas Retailers Association)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Vera, Colleen (Self)

Against:

Cole, Celia (Feeding Texas)
Dwyer, JC (Feeding Texas)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)
Heck, Jess (Texas Family Council)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)
Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)

On:

Bazan, Kim (Health and Human Services Commission)
Muth, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 840

For:

Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)

WITNESS LIST

For:

Humphrey, Cynthia (Self; Association of substance abuse programs)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)
Millner, Lisa (Self)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Allmon, Jennifer (The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops)
Chatelle, Melody (United Ways of Texas)
Cole, Celia (Feeding Texas)
Dewitt, Cathy (Texas Association of Business)
Dimitry, Lauren (Texans Care for Children)
Dwyer, JC (Feeding Texas)
Francis, Will (National association of social workers - Texas Chapter)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)
Graziani, Cate (Mental Health America of Texas)
Green, Kathy (Capital Area Food Bank of Texas and Feeding Texas)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Hartman, Marilyn (Self)
Moorhead, Bee (Texas Impact)
Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)
Schoeman, Alexa (Self)
Smith, Douglas (Self; Texas Criminal Justice Coalition)

Against:

Vera, Colleen (Self)

On:

Stephens, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 1258

Against:

Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Green, Kathy (Capital Area Food Bank and Feeding Texas)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)

On:

Smith, Charles (Office of the Attorney General - Child Support Division)

Registering, but not testifying:

Against:

Cole, Celia (Feeding Texas)
Dwyer, JC (Feeding Texas)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)
Heck, Jess (Texas Family Council)
McRae, Andrew (Self)
Mcrae, Andrew (Self)

WITNESS LIST

Against:

Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)
Schoeman, Alexa (Self)

On:

Stephens, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 1259

Against:

Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Green, Kathy (Capital Area Food Bank and Feeding Texas)

Registering, but not testifying:

Against:

Cole, Celia (Feeding Texas)
Dwyer, JC (Feeding Texas)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)
Heck, Jess (Texas Family Council)
Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)
Schoeman, Alexa (Self)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)

On:

Biscoe, Laurie (Texas Workforce Commission)
Stephens, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 1267

For:

Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Dwyer, JC (Feeding Texas)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)
Smith, Douglas (Self; Texas Criminal Justice Coalition)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Austin, Laura (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Cole, Celia (Feeding Texas)
Dimitry, Lauren (Texans Care for Children)
Graziani, Cate (Mental Health America of Texas)
Green, Kathy (Capital Area Food Bank of Texas and Feeding Texas)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Humphrey, Cynthia (Self; Association of substance abuse programs)
Millner, Lisa (Self)
Moorhead, Bee (Texas Impact)
Peyson, Robin (Communities for Recovery)

WITNESS LIST

For:

Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)

Against:

Vera, Colleen (Self)

On:

Stephens, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 1541

For:

Bibby, Michele (Self)

Carney, Christina (Self)

Eisenhauer, Paul (Self; Texas State Employees Union)

Johnson, Lee (Texas Council of Community Centers)

Kelly, Bill (Mental Health America of Greater Houston)

Marz, Andrea (Self)

On:

Gaines, Sonja (Health and Human Services Commission)

Griffin, Tamela (Self)

Horton, Colleen (Hogg Foundation for Mental Health)

Horton, Colleen (Hogg Foundation for Mental Health)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Austin, Laura (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)

Bickley, Shaun (Imagine Enterprises)

Borel, Dennis (Coalition of Texans with Disabilities)

Chase, Coby (Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute)

Chatelle, Melody (United Ways of Texas)

Francis, Will (National association of social workers - Texas Chapter)

Gallagher, Duane (Texas Association of Addiction Professionals)

Graziani, Cate (Mental Health America of Texas)

Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)

Hartman, Marilyn (Self)

Hiner, Harrison (Texas State Employees Union)

Howell, Jason (Self; Soberhood)

Humphrey, Cynthia (Self; Association of substance abuse programs)

John, Conrad (Travis County Commissioners Court)

Johnson, Lauren (Self)

Lavelle, Tanya (Easter Seals Central Texas)

Lewis, Kathryn (Disability Rights Texas)

Ligon, Katharine (Center for Public Policy Priorities)

Litzinger, Linda (Self)

Massey, Shelby (Texas Association of Community Health Centers)

Metz, Albert (Self; ADAPT)

Peyson, Robin (Communities for Recovery)

WITNESS LIST

For:

Romero, Michelle (Texas Medical Association)
Rosales Elkinsl, Deborah (Self)
Smith, Douglas (Self; Texas Criminal Justice Coalition)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)
Watkins, Sarah (Self; Community Now)
Wilson, Stacy (Texas Hospital Association)

On:

Strickland, Robyn (DSHS)

HB 1873

For:

Johnson, Lee (Texas Council of Community Centers)
Ligon, Katharine (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Murphy, Kate (Texas public policy foundation)

On:

Horton, Colleen (Hogg Foundation for Mental Health)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Austin, Laura (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Bickley, Shaun (Imagine Enterprises)
Borel, Dennis (Coalition of Texans with Disabilities)
Carney, Christina (Self)
Chatelle, Melody (United Ways of Texas)
Francis, Will (National association of social workers - Texas Chapter)
Graziani, Cate (Mental Health America of Texas)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Hartman, Marilyn (Self)
John, Conrad (Travis County Commissioners Court)
Lavelle, Tanya (Easter Seals Central Texas)
Lewis, Kathryn (Disability Rights Texas)
Litzinger, Linda (Self)
Marz, Andrea (Self)
Metz, Albert (Self; ADAPT)
Peyson, Robin (Communities for Recovery)
Romero, Michelle (Texas Medical Association)
Rosales Elkinsl, Deborah (Self)
Smith, Douglas (Self)
Spiller, Lee (Citizens Commission on Human Rights)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)
Watkins, Sarah (Self; Community Now)

Against:

Vera, Colleen (Self)

WITNESS LIST

On:
Jessee, Gary (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 1973

For:
Murphy, Kate (Texas public policy foundation)

Against:
Cooper, Rachel (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Dimitry, Lauren (Texans Care for Children)
Green, Kathy (Capital Area Food Bank of Texas and Feeding Texas)
Volkening, Ronnie (Texas Retailers Association)

On:
Powell, Judy (Parent Guidance Center)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:
Bussey, Faith (Self)
Canon, Kelly (Self; Arlington Tea Party)
Gerstenschlager, MerryLynn (Self; Texas Eagle Forum - Vice President)
Sullivan, Michael Quinn (Self; Empower Texans)

Against:
Cole, Celia (Feeding Texas)
Dwyer, JC (Feeding Texas)
Freeman, Kathryn (Christian Life Commission)
Heck, Jess (Texas Family Council)
Johnson, Lauren (Self)
Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)

On:
Bazan, Kim (Health and Human Services Commission)
Muth, Stephanie (Health and Human Services Commission)

HB 2039

For:
Barillas, Ph.D., Katherine (One voice texas)
Rosales Elkinsl, Deborah (Self)

On:
Horton, Colleen (Hogg Foundation for Mental Health)
Specia, John (Department of Family and Protective Services)
Specia, John (Department of Family and Protective Services)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:
Austin, Laura (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Bickley, Shaun (Self)

WITNESS LIST

For:

Borel, Dennis (Coalition of Texans with Disabilities)
Chatelle, Melody (United Ways of Texas)
Francis, Will (National association of social workers - Texas Chapter)
Graziani, Cate (Mental Health America of Texas)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Hartman, Marilyn (Self)
Lavelle, Tanya (Easter Seals Central Texas)
Lewis, Kathryn (Disability Rights Texas)
Ligon, Katharine (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Litzinger, Linda (Self)
Metz, Albert (Self; ADAPT)
Murphree, Susan (Disability Rights Texas)
Peyson, Robin (Communities for Recovery)
Powell, Judy (Parent Guidance Center)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)
Travis, Clayton (Texas Pediatric Society)
Watkins, Sarah (Self; Community Now)

On:

Brady, Denise (Department of Family and Protective Service)
Kromrei, Elizabeth "Liz" (Department of Family and Protective Services)

HB 2656

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Borel, Dennis (Coalition of Texans with Disabilities)
Fredriksen, Amanda (AARP)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Hartman, Marilyn (Self)
Johnson, Lee (Texas Council of Community Centers)
Lewis, Kathryn (Disability Rights Texas)
Ligon, Katharine (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Smith, Carole (Private providers association of texas)
Smith, Douglas (Self; Texas Criminal Justice Coalition)
Spiller, Lee (Citizens Commission on Human Rights)

On:

Engelking, Beth (Department of Family and Protective Services)
Green, Calvin (Department of Aging and Disability Services)
Hench, Marina (Texas Association for Home Care and Hospice)
Jessee, Gary (Health and Human Services Commission)
Urban, Karl (Department of Family and Protective Services)

HB 2683

For:

Cowsar, Robin (Self)

WITNESS LIST

For:
Yarus, Mary (Self; Academic Language Therapy Association)

On:
Kelley, Michael (Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:
Erwin, Mary Ellen (Self)
Hoover, Lynn (Self)
Nettles, Jamie (Self)
Stokes, Perry (Self)

On:
Miller, E. Carol (DSHS Professional Licensing and Certification Unit)

HB 2787

For:
Litzinger, Linda (Self)

Against:
Fredriksen, Amanda (AARP)

On:
Green, Calvin (Department of Aging and Disability Services)
Murphree, Susan (Disability Rights Texas)
Warren, Kevin (Texas health care association)

Registering, but not testifying:

Against:
Ducayet, Patty (Office of the state long term care ombudsman)
Metz, Albert (Self; ADAPT)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)
Watkins, Sarah (Self; Community Now)

HB 2789

For:
Austin, Laura (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)

On:
Horton, Colleen (Hogg Foundation for Mental Health)
Schalchlin, Scott (Department of Aging and Disability Services)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:
Bickley, Shaun (Self)
Borel, Dennis (Coalition of Texans with Disabilities)
Carney, Christina (Self)
Francis, Will (National association of social workers - Texas Chapter)

WITNESS LIST

For:

Graziani, Cate (Mental Health America of Texas)
Hansch, Greg (National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Texas)
Hartman, Marilyn (Self)
Johnson, Lee (Texas Council of Community Centers)
Ligon, Katharine (Center for Public Policy Priorities)
Litzinger, Linda (Self)
Marz, Andrea (Self)
Metz, Albert (Self; ADAPT)
Peyson, Robin (Communities for Recovery)
Schoeman, Alexa (Self)
Schwartz, Michelle (Self)
Smith, Carole (Private providers association of texas)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)
Watkins, Sarah (Self; Community Now)
Whitehurst, Darren (Texas Medical Association)

HB 2990

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Powell, Judy (Parent Guidance Center)
Spiller, Lee (Citizens Commission on Human Rights)

On:

Adams, Chris (Health and Human Services Commission)
Green, Calvin (Department of Aging and Disability Services)

HB 3322

For:

Blankemeier, Anne (Self; Circle C Child Development Center)
Brauer, Andrea (Texans Care For Children)
Englehardt, Joanna (Self)
Kofron, Kim (Self; Texas Assoc. for the Education for Young Children)
Mace, Stephanie (Self; United Way of Metropolitan Dallas)
Olewin, Carol (Self; League of Women Voters)
Rubin, Melanie (Self; Dallas Early Education Alliance)
Signaigo, Stacy Jo (Self; Manor ISD Child Development Center and AAAYC)
Summerville, Cody (Self)
Triantaphyllis, Christina (Collaborative for Children)

Against:

Altobelli, Joan (Texas Licensed Child Care Association)
Fincher, David (Self; National Child Care Coalition)
Gilbert, Mercedes (Self)
Hutson, Brian (Self; Certain preschool owners)
Hutson, Lonnie (Self)
Jones, Thomas (Self)

WITNESS LIST

Against:

Khosravian, Rustom (Self)
Nguyen, Trung (Self)
Olges, Todd (Self)
Oliver, James (Self)
Patel, Sejal (Self)
Perry, Sharon (Self)
West, Elwin (Self; KidsRKids Learning Academy)

On:

Morris, Paul (Department of Family and Protective Services)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Borel, Dennis (Coalition of Texans with Disabilities)
Chatelle, Melody (United Ways of Texas)
Hayes, Patricia (Texas Head Start Association)
Kenderdine, Marshall (Texas Partnership for Out of School Time (TXPOST))
Litzinger, Linda (Self)
Mok, Amy (Self; AAIEYC)
Moorhead, Bee (Texas Impact)
Ramirez, Stacy (Texas Association for Infant Mental Health)
Sabo, Jason (Children at Risk)
Travis, Clayton (Texas Pediatric Society)

Against:

Agha, Malak (Self)
Agha, Malak (Kids R Kids)
Ahrens, Paul (Self)
Bertoni, Dan (Self; Kids R Kids)
Bertoni, Monika (Self)
Carroll, Chad (Self)
Carroll, John (Self)
Carroll, Sandy (Self)
Cloutier, Matthew (Self)
Cobb, John (Self)
Cobb, Mark (Self)
Cobb, Samantha (Self)
Cobb, Sharon (Self)
Cox, Lacy (Self)
Cox, Ryan (Self)
El-Nachar, Fadi (Self; Prosperity Inc)
Engle, Michael (Self)
Evans, Keith (Self)
Federspiel, Teresa (PSA Preschool Academy)
Frederick, Wendy (Self)
Gamel, Teddie (Phoenix Children's Academy)

WITNESS LIST

Against:

Gray, Kim (Self)
Gray, Larry (Self)
Heaton, Carrie (Self)
Hodges, Vicky (Self)
Holmes, Tere (Texas Licensed Child Care Association)
Horton, Melissa (Primrose Schools)
Huff, Paul (Self)
Hulburt, Jerry (Self)
Hutson, Connie (Self)
Hutson, Joe (Self; Child care center owner)
Hutson, Kurt (Self)
Hutson, Ronnie (Self)
Jamil, Mohammed (Self)
Jamil, Rizwana (Self)
Jamil, Sania (Self)
Khosravian, Nasreen (Self; Kids r kids)
Kilgore, Kevin (Self)
Lafon, Rickie (Self; Texas Licensed Child Care and Sunrise Learning Center)
Morales, Miguel (Self)
Morales, Yelitza (Self)
Niaz, Arshad (Self)
Paulson, Cathy (Kids R Kids)
Paulson, Lawrence (Self)
Perry, David (Self)
Pippin, Christine (First Baptist Day Care)
Poe, Kurt (Self)
Reece, James (Self)
Reitz, Michael (Self)
Rhoades, Kristin (Primrose Schools)
Simpson, Blake (Self)
Simpson, Jessica (Self)
Simpson, Linda (Self)
Simpson, Natalie (Self)
Simpson, Richard (Self)
Simpson, Rusty (Self)
Sisson, Kathy (Self)
Smith, Tym (Self; Early Care and Education Consulting)
Stevenson, Amber (Greystone House Montessori)
Stubler, Victor (JARVC Corporation DBA Kids R Kids #9TX)
Sundbeck, Chad (Self; Kids R Kids Learning Centers)
Sundbeck, Monica (Self)
Vanvalkenburg, Tony (Child care)
Vera, Colleen (Self)

WITNESS LIST

On:

Andrus, Rudi (Self; Mainspring Schools)
Biscoe, Laurie (Texas Workforce Commission)

HB 3523

For:

Carroll, Cate (Volunteers of America Texas)
Linial, George (LeadingAge Texas)
Mizcles, Amy (The Arc of Texas)
Smith, Carole (Private providers association of texas)

Registering, but not testifying:

For:

Berry, Jason (Self; Berry Family Services)
Borel, Dennis (Coalition of Texans with Disabilities)
Fredriksen, Amanda (AARP)
Frizzell, Sandra (Providers Alliance for Community Services of Texas)
Hartman, Marilyn (Self)
Johnson, Lee (Texas Council of Community Centers)
Murphree, Susan (Disability Rights Texas)
Sims, Taylor (Legend Healthcare)
Tate, Joe (Self; Community NOW!)
Warren, Kevin (Texas Health Care Association)

On:

Jessee, Gary (Health and Human Services Commission)
Traylor, Chris (Health and Human Services Commission)