

## **The House Committee on Appropriations**

86th Legislature

March 4, 2019

12:00 p.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on February 27, 2019, the House Committee on Appropriations met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Zerwas, at 12:01 p.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Zerwas; Longoria; Bell, Cecil; Bonnen, Greg; Buckley; Capriglione; Cortez; Davis, Sarah; González, Mary; Hefner; Howard; Johnson, Jarvis; Miller; Minjarez; Muñoz, Jr.; Rose; Schaefer; Sheffield; Sherman, Sr.; Toth; Turner, John; VanDeaver; Walle; Wilson; and Wu.

A quorum was present.

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(Representative Stucky now present.)

**Article VII Budget Recommendations**

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article VII.

Agencies included in Article VII

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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

Texas Lottery Commission

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

Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

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

Texas Department of Transportation

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

Texas Workforce Commission

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

Reimbursements to the UC Benefit Account

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

The Chair moved the adoption of subcommittee recommendations for Article VII.

The motion was adopted without objection.

**Article VIII Budget Recommendations**

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article VIII.

Agencies included in Article VIII

State Office of Administrative Hearings

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

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Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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

Board of Dental Examiners

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

Funeral Service Commission

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

Board of Professional Geoscientists

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

Health Professions Council

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

Office of Injured Employee Council

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

Department of Insurance

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

Office of Public Insurance Counsel

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

Board of Professional Land Surveying

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

Department of Licensing and Regulation

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

Texas Medical Board

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

Board of Nursing

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

### Optometry Board

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

### Board of Pharmacy

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

### Executive Council of Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Examiners

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

### Board of Plumbing Examiners

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

### Board of Examiners of Psychologists

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

### Racing Commission

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

### State Securities Board

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

### Public Utility Commission

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

### Office of Public Utility Counsel

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

### Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

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

### Special Provisions relating to all of Article VIII

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

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The Chair moved the adoption of subcommittee recommendations for Article VIII.

The motion was adopted without objection.

### **Article VI Budget Recommendations**

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article VI.

Agencies included in Article VI

#### Texas Department of Agriculture

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

#### Animal Health Commission

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

#### Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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

#### General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board

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

#### Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission

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

#### Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

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

#### Railroad Commission

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

#### Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board

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

#### Water Development Board

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

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The Chair moved the adoption of subcommittee recommendations for Article VI.

The motion was adopted without objection.

### **Article I Budget Recommendations**

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article I.

Agencies included in Article I

#### Commission on the Arts

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

#### Office of the Attorney General

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

#### Bond Review Board

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

#### Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas

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

#### Comptroller of Public Accounts

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

#### The Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts

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

#### Social Security and Benefit Replacement Pay

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

#### Commission on State Emergency Communications

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

#### Texas Emergency Services Retirement System

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

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### Employees Retirement System

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

### Texas Ethics Commission

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

### Facilities Commission

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

### Lease Payments, Facilities Commission

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

### Texas Public Finance Authority

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

### General Obligation Bond Debt Service Payments, TPFA

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

### Office of the Governor

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

### Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor

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

### Historical Commission

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

### Department of Information Resources

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

### Library & Archives Commission

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

### Pension Review Board

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

### Preservation Board

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

### State Office of Risk Management

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

### Secretary of State

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

### Veterans Commission

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

The Chair moved the adoption of subcommittee recommendations for Article I.

The motion was adopted without objection.

## **Article IV Budget Recommendations**

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article IV.

Agencies included in Article IV

### Supreme Court of Texas

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

### Court of Criminal Appeals

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

### 14 Courts of Appeals

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

### Office of Court Administration

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



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Office of Capital and Forensic Writs

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

Office of the State Prosecuting Attorney

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

State Law Library

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

State Commission on Judicial Conduct

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

Judiciary Section, The Comptroller's Department

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

Special Provisions relating to all Article IV agencies

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

The Chair moved the adoption of subcommittee recommendations for Article IV.

The motion was adopted without objection.

**Article V Budget Recommendations**

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article V.

Agencies included in Article V

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission

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

Department of Criminal Justice

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

Commission on Fire Protection

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

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Commission on Jail Standards

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

Juvenile Justice Department

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

Commission on Law Enforcement

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

Texas Military Department

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

Texas Department of Public Safety

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

The Chair moved the adoption of subcommittee recommendations for Article V.

The motion was adopted without objection.

The Chair provided direction to the Legislative Budget Board to produce the budget recommendations adopted by the Committee.

At 1:44 p.m., on the motion of Representative Longoria and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

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Rep. Zerwas, Chair

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Cameron Cocke, Clerk