

The House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

86th Legislature

February 20, 2020

1:00 p.m.

Victoria College Emerging Technology Complex

Room 101A-B

7403 Lone Tree Rd.

Victoria, TX 77904

Pursuant to a notice posted on January 29, 2020, the House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Cyrier, at 1:05 p.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Cyrier; Bucy; Gervin-Hawkins; Holland; Johnson, Jarvis; Morrison; and Toth.

A quorum was present.

The committee took public testimony on Interim Charge #1.

The scope was limited to: HB 1300 and HB 2321, which relate to the regulation of oyster harvesting and to cultivated oyster mariculture. Monitor the implementation of the cultivated oyster mariculture program, the implementation of increased penalties related to the regulation of oyster harvesting, and the effectiveness of these state laws as related to the protection, conservation, and sustainability of oysters in Texas coastal waters.

HB 1300 – Oyster Mariculture

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

HB 2321 – Increased Oyster Penalties

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

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At 3:44 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Cyrier, Chair

Jeffrey Miller, Clerk