

** REVISION **

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

COMMITTEE: Appropriations - S/C on Article II
TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Tuesday, April 28, 2020
PLACE: E1.030
CHAIR: Rep. Sarah Davis

**** MEETING CANCELED ****

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Article II hearing scheduled for April 28, 2020 is postponed until further notice. Out of concern for public health due to Coronavirus/COVID-19 and to ensure that the public has the full opportunity to participate in the topics, the Subcommittee will take up these charges at a later date.

The House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Article II will meet to hear invited and public testimony on the following:

Interim Charge #1 (partial), specifically related to monitoring:

- progress on construction of state hospitals and the capacity of the state hospital system to provide mental health support in all regions across Texas;

Interim Charge #3: Review the ability of hospital finance methods, including trauma funding, graduate medical education payments, and supplemental payment programs, to support all hospitals in Texas (including rural and children's hospitals), and the potential impact from state and federal budgetary changes.

Interim Charge #7: Monitor the use of funding for the Alternatives to Abortion program to ensure it is achieving the intended goals and providing access to all eligible recipients in a cost effective manner. Evaluate the use of additional funding provided under HHSC Rider 80, and ensure that awards to the program are made competitively, consistent with all applicable state contracting regulations, and in a manner that provides the greatest access to services. Evaluate HHSC benchmarks used to monitor performance and contract oversight of program providers.

Public testimony will be limited to three minutes per witness.

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