

The House Committee on Appropriations

87th Legislature

March 31, 2021

7:30 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on March 24, 2021, the House Committee on Appropriations met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Bonnen, at 7:35 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Bonnen; González, Mary; Ashby; Bell, Cecil; Capriglione; Dean; Dominguez; Holland; Howard; Johnson, Ann; Minjarez; Morrison; Raney; Rose; Schaefer; Sherman, Sr.; Stucky; VanDeaver; Walle; Wilson; and Zwiener.

A quorum was present.

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(Representative Thompson, Ed now present.)

(Representative Johnson, Julie now present.)

(Representative Wu now present.)

(Representative Johnson, Jarvis now present.)

(Representative Toth now present.)

Article III

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article III Public Education.

Agencies included in Article III – Public Education

Texas Education Agency

School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

School for the Deaf

Special Provisions - School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and School for the Deaf

Teacher Retirement System

Optional Retirement Program

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

The Chair laid out subcommittee recommendations for the agencies in Article III Higher Education.

Agencies included in Article III – Higher Education

The Higher Education Employees Group Insurance Contributions

The Higher Education Coordinating Board

Available University Fund

Higher Education Fund

National Research University Fund

Support for Military and Veterans Exemptions

General Academic Institutions

Health Related Institutions

Public Community/Junior Colleges

Texas AgriLife Research

Texas AgriLife Extension Service

Texas Engineering Experiment Station

Texas A&M Transportation Institute

Texas Engineering Extension Service

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Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Lab
Texas Division of Emergency Management
Special Provisions Relating Only to Components of Texas State Technical College
Special Provisions Relating Only to State Agencies of Higher Education

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

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

The motion was adopted without objection.

(Representative Gates now present.)

Cross Article – Capital Needs

The Chair laid out recommendations for capital needs.

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

The Chair moved the adoption of recommendations for capital needs.

The motion was adopted without objection.

Cross Article – Information Technology

The Chair laid out recommendations for information technology.

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

The Chair moved the adoption of recommendations for information technology.

The motion was adopted without objection.

Cross Article – Vehicles

The Chair laid out recommendations for vehicles.

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

The Chair moved the adoption of recommendations for vehicles.

The motion was adopted without objection.

Cross Article – Capitol Complex Moves

The Chair laid out recommendations for Capitol complex moves.

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

The Chair moved the adoption of recommendations for Capitol complex moves.

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 9:13 a.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Bonnen, Chair

Cameron Cocke, Clerk