

The House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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10:00 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on April 5, 2022, the House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Collier, at 10:14 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Collier; Bell, Keith; Cason; and Crockett.

A quorum was present for the sole purpose of taking testimony, pursuant to Rule 4, Section 16A.

(Representatives Cook, Johnson, Ann, and Vasut participating virtually, pursuant to Rule 4, Section 16A.)

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The Chair made opening remarks.

(Representative Hinojosa now present.)

The Committee took invited testimony only on the following interim committee charge:

Study the accessibility to counsel in cases involving an indigent defendant and make recommendations to improve access to counsel in these cases. Evaluate methods to improve the effectiveness of court-appointed counsel, caseload processing, caseload distribution, and the state's compliance with applicable appointment of counsel requirements.

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

At 3:35 p.m., on the motion of the Chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Rep. Collier, Chair

Tiffany White, Clerk