HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Business & Industry

TIME & DATE: 1:00 PM, Wednesday, April 27, 2022

PLACE: E2.028

CHAIR: Rep. Chris Turner

The Committee will meet in a public hearing and hear invited and public testimony to consider the following:

Review operational changes and strategies employed by the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to improve outcomes related to Unemployment Benefit Services, including application and payment processes, customer services, and fraud deterrence.

Study the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on unemployment trends, hurdles to workforce reentry, and industry-specific disruptions.

The Chair may limit testimony time to ensure all witnesses have an opportunity to testify.

Electronic public comment will be available for:

-Strategies employed by TWC related to Unemployment Benefit Services -COVID impact on unemployment, the workforce and industry disruptions

For those persons who will be testifying, information for in-person witness registration, can be found here: https://mytxlegis.capitol.texas.gov/HWRSPublic/About.aspx

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