

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Human Services
TIME & DATE: 12:00 PM, Monday, March 21, 2022
PLACE: E2.030
CHAIR: Rep. James B. Frank

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

- The committee will consider Department of Family and Protective Services, Department of Public Safety, and Health and Human Services Commission actions related to security and safety of Texas youth in state-licensed facilities, the efficacy of investigative and regulatory processes, and what further action can be taken to ensure child safety.
- The committee will receive an update on the ongoing lawsuit and its impact on foster care capacity and other impacts on the child welfare system.
- The committee will review implementation of child welfare legislation passed by the 87th Legislature.

Electronic public comment will be available for:

Security and safety of Texas youth in state-licensed facilities

Efficacy of investigative and regulatory processes

Impact of the lawsuit on foster care capacity and the child welfare system

Implementation of child welfare legislation

For those persons who will be testifying, information for in-person witness registration can be found here:

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