

** REVISION **

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

COMMITTEE: Public Education
TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Tuesday, May 24, 2022
PLACE: E2.026
CHAIR: Rep. Harold V. Dutton, Jr.

The Committee will meet to hear invited and public testimony over the following interim charges:

1. Monitor the agencies and programs under the Committee's jurisdiction and oversee the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 87th Legislature. Conduct active oversight of all associated rulemaking and other governmental actions taken to ensure the intended legislative outcome of all legislation, including the following:

- HB 1525 and HB 3(86R), relating to public school finance and public education;
- HB 4545, relating to assessment of public school students and providing accelerated instruction;
- SB 1365, relating to public school organization, accountability, and fiscal management; and
- SB 1716, relating to supplemental special education services and instructional materials for certain public school students.

2. Study the effects of COVID-19 on K-12 learning loss and best practices that exist to address learning loss. Monitor the implementation of state and local plans to address students' achievement gaps. Make recommendations for supporting the state and local efforts to increase academic development.

3. Examine the impact of COVID-19 on students' mental health, including the availability and workload of mental health professionals across the state and their role in the public school system. Make recommendations to reduce or eliminate existing barriers to providing mental health services in a traditional classroom setting or through teletherapy.

4. Examine the causes and contributors for chronic absenteeism in public schools and its impact on student outcomes. Consider techniques and approaches that have been utilized by public schools to identify students who are chronically absent and return these students to classrooms.

Public Testimony will be limited to three minutes

Electronic public comments will be available for:

Implementation of HB 1525 and HB 3(86th)
Implementation of HB 4545
Implementation of SB 1365
Implementation of SB 1716
The effects of COVID-19 on K-12 learning loss.
Examine the impact of COVID-19 on students' mental health.
Examine the causes and contributors for chronic absenteeism.

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>

A live video broadcast of this hearing will be available here:
<https://house.texas.gov/video-audio/>

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