SENATE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Business & Commerce

TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Wednesday, June 29, 2022

PLACE: Senate Chamber

CHAIR: Senator Charles Schwertner

The Senate Business & Commerce Committee will meet Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at 9:00am to hear invited and public testimony on the following interim charges:

<u>Broadband and Telecommunications</u>: Study broadband and other telecommunications related issues impacting Texans, including:

- Monitoring the implementation of House Bill 5 and House Bill 1505, 87th Legislature; discuss anticipated federal infrastructure funding dedicated to broadband initiatives;
- Reviewing the Texas Universal Service Fund and reporting what, if any, changes should be made through a review of both the fund's contributions and disbursements, as well as the impact of technology on the long-term stability of the Texas Universal Service Fund; and
- Monitoring the implementation of House Bill 2911, 87th Legislature, relating to next generation 9-1-1 service and the establishment of a next generation 9-1-1 service fund.

Electricity: Study issues impacting the Texas electric grid, including weather preparedness and the natural gas supply chain. Evaluate potential benefits of real-time transparency of the intrastate gas market with respect to the functions of ERCOT and the Texas Energy Reliability Council.

Public testimony is limited to 2 minutes. If submitting written testimony, please provide 20 copies to the clerk with your name on each copy.

NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT PUBLIC MEETINGS

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND WHO MAY NEED ASSISTANCE, SUCH AS A SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER OR PERSONAL ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES, ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE SENATE COMMITTEE COORDINATOR AT 512/463-0070, 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING SO APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE.

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