

SENATE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Finance
TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Monday, February 22, 2021
PLACE: E1.036 (Finance Room)
CHAIR: Senator Jane Nelson

Any unfinished business will be moved to a later date, to be determined.

To protect the health and safety of members, staff and the public, the Senate Finance Committee (SFC) will strictly follow all Senate rules relating to the pandemic, including the requirement for a negative COVID test to enter the hearing room.

Invited Testimony:

Agencies and other invited witnesses must submit any written materials 2 full business days before their hearing date. Please submit 50 copies to the Committee, and 6 copies to the Legislative Budget Board. The hearing schedule is subject to change. Agencies should consult the postings regularly and maintain contact with Committee staff.

Public Testimony:

Anyone wishing to provide oral public testimony must register in E1.028 by **noon** on the hearing date. Oral testimony is limited to 3 minutes. If providing written testimony, bring **20 copies, with your name on each copy**, to E1.028. All written testimony will be distributed to the Committee Members after the hearing. Those registering a position-only may do so at any Senate kiosk by the end of the hearing.

- **Oral testimony:** fill out a paper witness card in E1.028 and submit to SFC staff.
- **Oral and written testimony:** fill out a paper witness card in E1.028 and submit your witness card and written testimony to SFC staff.
- **Position only:** register using the Senate kiosk located in the extension hallways or by going to **<http://swrs>** on public-capitol. Kiosk registration will open 30 minutes before the hearing begins.
- **Written testimony only:** register your position using the Senate kiosk and then bring **20 copies, with your name on each copy**, to E1.028 and submit to SFC staff.

For those unable to appear in person, comments may be provided directly to each Committee Member, whose contact information can be found at:
www.senate.texas.gov

The afternoon hearing will reconvene 30 minutes after the Senate adjourns when in session.

LBB presentation documents can be found at:
http://www.lbb.state.tx.us/Legislative_Session.aspx?Session=86

To consider the following:

SB 1 Nelson
General Appropriations Bill.

Article III - Education

Texas Education Agency
Teacher Retirement System
Optional Retirement Program
Higher Education Group Insurance
Windham School District
School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
School for the Deaf
Special Provisions for the Texas School of the Blind and Visually Impaired/Texas School for the Deaf

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