

SENATE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Local Government
TIME & DATE: 1:30 PM, Tuesday, September 13, 2022
PLACE: E1.016 (Hearing Room)
CHAIR: Senator Paul Bettencourt

The Senate Committee on Local Government will meet Tuesday, September 13th, at 1:30 P.M. to hear invited and public testimony on the following interim charges:

Affordable Housing: Study issues related to affordable housing, homelessness, and methods of providing and financing affordable housing. Make recommendations to improve transparency and accountability, as well as to better utilize existing federal, state, and local programs.

Taxpayer Funded Lobbying: Study how governmental entities use public funds for political lobbying purposes. Examine what types of governmental entities use public funds for lobbying purposes and what level of transparency is available to the public. Make recommendations to protect taxpayers from paying for lobbyists who may not represent the taxpayers' interests.

Extraterritorial Jurisdictions: Study issues related to municipal extraterritorial jurisdictions and annexation powers, including examining possible disannexation authority. Determine whether extraterritorial jurisdictions continue to provide value to their residents and make recommendations on equitable methods for disannexation.

Special Purpose Districts: Perform a comprehensive study on the powers and purposes of various special purpose districts and their associated legislative templates. Make recommendations to improve public transparency in operations of special purpose districts and associated legislative templates.

Public testimony is limited to 3 minutes. If providing written testimony, bring 20 copies, with your name on each copy. All written testimony will be distributed to the Committee Members after the hearing.

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