

## **The House Committee on International Relations & Economic Development**

88th Legislature

September 10, 2024

1:30 p.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on August 6, 2024, the House Committee on International Relations & Economic Development met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Button, at 1:35 p.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Button; Ordaz; Bumgarner; and Plesa.

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The Committee heard invited testimony regarding the Texas Economic Development & Tourism Office.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The Committee heard invited testimony regarding the Texas Workforce Commission.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The Committee heard invited testimony on the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 88th Legislature including:

HB 1755, relating to the creation of the Lone Star Workforce of the Future Fund.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

HB 4451, relating to a report by the Texas Workforce Commission regarding apprenticeship opportunities in this state for emerging and high-demand industries.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The Committee heard invited testimony on Early Childhood Education Industry including:

Evaluate the current state of the early childhood education industry. Review current early childhood policies and evaluate their effectiveness, including barriers to enter the Child Care Services program.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Ordaz in chair.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Button in chair.)

At 4:27 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

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Rep. Button, Chair

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Victoria Smith, Clerk

