HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Transportation

TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Thursday, October 10, 2024

PLACE: E1.030

CHAIR: Rep. Terry Canales

The Committee will meet in a public hearing to hear invited testimony only on the following interim charges:

Monitoring: Monitor the agencies and programs under the Committee's jurisdiction and oversee the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 88th 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 718, relating to the issuance of certain tags, permits, and license plates authorizing the movement of vehicles and the transfer and renewal of certain license plates.
- HB 1885, relating to the authority of the Texas Transportation Commission to establish variable speed limits.
- HB 2170, relating to toll collections by a toll project entity.
- HB 3288, relating to notice of transfer of a used motor vehicle.
- SB 505, relating to imposing an additional fee for the registration of an electric vehicle.

Port Infrastructure and Maritime Industry: Study long-term needs of the maritime industry in Texas. Evaluate the implementation status of the Maritime Port Mission Plan and make recommendations to improve port planning, safety measures, and project delivery. Examine status of TxDOT seaport projects that received funding during the 88th Legislature.

Bridge Safety: Evaluate the current status of state-maintained bridges, existing safety standards related to bridges, and long-term financial needs for bridge planning, construction, maintenance, and inspection. Examine ways to improve bridge project delivery.

Alleviating Road Traffic: Identify the state's most congested roadways and review state forecasts for future congestion and the expected impact on economic activity. Evaluate TxDOT plans for alleviating congestion and consider the necessity of additional options to ensure economic development, congestion, and safety goals are achieved in a timely manner with reduced cost to public tax dollars.

Electronic public comments may be submitted for:

Implementation of HB 718
Implementation of HB 1885
Implementation of HB 2170
Implementation of HB 3288
Implementation of SB 505
Port Infrastructure and Maritime Industry
Bridge Safety
Alleviating Road Traffic

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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Texas residents who wish to electronically submit comments related to agenda items on this notice without testifying in person can do so until the hearing is adjourned by visiting: https://comments.house.texas.gov/home?c=c470

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