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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Subcommittee on Higher Education
TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Tuesday, September 24, 2024
PLACE: E1.028 (Hearing Room)
CHAIR: Senator Brandon Creighton

The subcommittee will consider the following interim charges:

Public Junior College State Finance Program: Monitor the implementation of the new community college funding model as recommended by the Texas Commission on Community College Finance. Report on whether the rulemaking process is being successfully completed to focus on student outcomes and enhancing the role of public junior colleges in workforce training and preparation.

Innovation and Technology in Higher Education: Investigate the opportunities and challenges of emerging technology on teaching and learning, focusing on artificial intelligence (AI), online education, and digital resources. Examine aspects of intellectual property as they relate to the development of AI programs and platforms by institutions of higher education and explore the ethical issues institutions of higher education should contemplate when developing AI programs and platforms. Make recommendations to responsibly and ethically utilize emerging technology to enhance learning in higher education

Core Curriculum Course Accessibility: Review student access to core curriculum courses at Texas institutions of higher education. Examine the availability of these courses both online and in-person, as well as any issues that would prevent or reduce in-person access. Make recommendations for any needed reforms to ensure that all students have equal in-person access to core courses.

Public testimony will be limited to two minutes per person. If submitting written testimony, please submit 7 copies to the clerk with your name on each copy.

** See Committee Coordinator for previous versions of the schedule **

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