

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: State Affairs
TIME & DATE: 8:00 AM, Wednesday, August 19, 2026
PLACE: JHR 140
CHAIR: Rep. Ken King

The committee will meet to hear invited and public testimony on the following interim charge:

Data Centers: Study the development of data centers in Texas, including its importance to global competitiveness and national security. Evaluate the direct and indirect economic growth potential fostered by in-state data center development, including growth multiplier effects and economic diversification. Identify existing secondary and post-secondary education and training opportunities and recommend pathways to satisfy increasing labor demands. Review the existing regulatory framework governing data center development and recommend proposals to streamline regulations while enabling communities to plan and manage growth responsibly. Study the implementation of SB 6 and the Large Load Batch Study Process proposed by the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, as it relates to data centers, and identify how grid-connected data center facilities and co-located resources can support grid resilience and reliability.

765-kV Transmission Lines: Review the regulatory and planning processes regarding the proposed 765-kV transmission lines.

Electronic public comments may be submitted for:

Data Centers
765-kV Transmission Lines

**Public Testimony may be limited to two (2) minutes per witness.
The number of witnesses may be limited at the discretion of the chair.
Registration will close at 10:00 am on the day of the hearing.**

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For those persons who will be testifying, information for in-person witness registration, can be found here:

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