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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

10:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations was held on Wednesday, November 2, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Royce West, Chair

Senator Robert Nichols, Vice Chair

Senator Jeff Wentworth

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Mario Gallegos, Jr.

Senator Dan Patrick

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The Chair laid out the interim committee charge to analyze ways to better coordinate existing federal, state, and local housing resources to increase access to affordable housing following a disaster that caused the loss of homes. Review best practices for fulfilling emergency short-term housing needs and developing long-term housing opportunities using existing tools, such as land trusts, land banks, and other available incentives.

The Chair called 3 panels of the following persons to provide invited testimony on this interim committee charge. See attached witness list.

At 11:25 AM the committee stood at ease 10 minutes.

At 11:36 AM the committee reconvened.

At 1:26 PM Senator Nichols assumed the Chair.

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At 1:30 PM Senator West resumed the Chair.

There being no further business, at 1:45 PM Senator West moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the Chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Royce West, Chair

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Tiffany White, Clerk