

**The House Committee on Transportation Funding, Expenditures & Finance,
Select**

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1:00 p.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on July 3, 2014, the House Committee on Transportation Funding, Expenditures & Finance, Select met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Pickett, at 2:26 p.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Pickett; Larson; Martinez, "Mando"; Muñoz, Jr.; Phillips; Simmons; and Workman.

A quorum was present.

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(Representative Huberty now present.)

The committee heard invited testimony on discussions held at a working group of state representatives, metropolitan planning organization staff, and Texas Department of Transportation employees.

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

Representative Simmons moved that the committee recommend that the Texas Transportation Commission adopt the following principles:

1. Formula allocation
2. Bottom-up approach to project development
3. MPOs have broad-based, collaborative public involvement procedures that involve the Texas Department of Transportation
4. Project selection should come from the regions
5. Legislature should give greater flexibility to the Texas Department of Transportation to get projects ready
6. Greater focus on transportation system versus projects creating opportunities for statewide benefits as part of the approach

The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Pickett; Huberty; Larson; Martinez, "Mando"; Muñoz, Jr.; Phillips; Simmons; Workman (8).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative McClendon (1).

The committee heard invited and public testimony on potential revenue sources.

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

Representative Israel was present.

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At 6:27 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Pickett, Chair

Mariann Morelock, Clerk