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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Agriculture, Rural Affairs & Homeland Security

TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Monday, May 19, 2014

PLACE: E1.012 (Hearing Room)

CHAIR: Senator Craig Estes

The Committee will take up the following Interim Charges:

Examine the current regulatory and insurance requirements for the storage of ammonium nitrate, including the role of the State Chemist and the Texas Department of Insurance. Make recommendations on the changes to current law that are needed to eliminate duplication or inconsistencies, improve transparency, and protect Texans' safety without creating an undue burden on Texas businesses.

Examine the role of state and local governments regarding recovery operations across the state in the event of a disaster. Study and make recommendations to identify essential personnel and resources needed to increase existing response capabilities. Make recommendations on how state, local governments, and businesses can work together in order to assist with the rebuilding/recovery of affected jurisdictions in the event of a disaster.

Testimony will be limited to three minutes.