The House Committee on Appropriations

84th Legislature March 4, 2015 7:30 a.m. E1.030

Pursuant to a notice posted on February 27, 2015, the House Committee on Appropriations met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Otto, at 7:36 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Otto; Turner, Sylvester; Ashby; Bell; Bonnen, Greg; Burkett; Capriglione; Giddings; Gonzales, Larry; Howard; Koop; Longoria; Márquez; Miles; Miller, Rick; Phelan; Price; Raney; Rodriguez, Justin; Sheffield; VanDeaver; and Walle.

A quorum was present.

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(Representative Hughes now present.)

Article VI

The Department of Agriculture

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

The Animal Health Commission

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

The Commission on Environmental Quality

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

The General Land Office

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

The Low- Level Radioactive Wast Disposal Compact Commission

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

The Department of Parks and Wild Life

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

(Representative Muñoz, Jr. now present.)

The Water Development Board

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

Representative Gonzales moved to adopt the subcommittee recommendations for Article VI.

The motion was adopted without objection.

Article VIII

The State Office of Administrative Hearing

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

The Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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

The Board of Dental Examiners

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

The Funeral Service Commission

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

The Board of Professional Geoscientist

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

The Health Professions Council

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

The Office of Injured Employee Counsel

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

The Department of Insurance

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

The Department of Licensing and Regulation

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

The Board of Nursing

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

The Optometry Board

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

The Board of Pharmacy

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

The Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners

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

The Board of Plumbing Examiners

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

The Board of Examiners of Psychologists

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

The Racing Commission

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

The Public Utility Commission

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

(Representative McClendon now present.)

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

The Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

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

Representative Gonzales moved to adopt the subcommittee recommendations for Article VIII.

The motion was adopted without objection.

Article I

The Commission on the Arts

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

The Office of the Attorney General

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

The Bond Review Board

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

The Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas

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

The Comptroller of Public Accounts

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

The Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts

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

Social Security and Benefit Replacement Pay

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

The Commission on State Emergency Communications

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

The Texas Emergency Services Retirement System

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

The Employees Retirement System

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

The Texas Ethics Commission

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

The Facilities Commission

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

The Lease Payments, Facilities Commission

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

The Texas Public Finance Authority

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

The General Obligation Bond Debt Service Payments, TPFA

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

The Office of the Governor

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

The Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor

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

The Historical Commission

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

The Department of Information Resources

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

The Library & Archives Commission

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

The Pension Review Board

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

The Preservation Board

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

The State Office of Risk Management

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

The Secretary of State

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

The Veterans Commission

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

Representative Turner moved to adopt the subcommittee recommendations for Article I.

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The motion was adopted without objection.

At 8:49 a.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

Rep. Otto, Chair

Jonathon Storms, Clerk