

The House Committee on Defense & Veterans' Affairs

85th Legislature

May 15, 2018

2:00 p.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on April 25, 2018, the House Committee on Defense & Veterans' Affairs met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Gutierrez, at 2:03 p.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Gutierrez; Cain; Flynn; and Lambert.

A quorum was present.

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(Representative Blanco now present.)

(Representative Wilson now present.)

The Committee met and heard testimony on Interim Charge #5 and #6.

Examine the needs of homeless veterans in Texas. Examine obstacles veterans may face finding housing across the state. Recommend measures to bolster the state's efforts to address veteran homelessness in Texas.

Monitor the agencies and programs under the Committee's jurisdiction and oversee the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 85th Legislature. In conducting this oversight, review the implementation of S.B. 27 (85R) and the related Veterans Mental Health Program, as well as S.B. 578 (85R) and the development of the Veterans Suicide Prevention Action Plan.

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

At 3:47 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Gutierrez, Chair

Margaret Wallace, Clerk