

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Corrections
TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Tuesday, May 01, 2018
PLACE: E2.010
CHAIR: Rep. James White

The Committee will meet to hear invited and public testimony on the following interim charges only. The charges may be considered in a different sequence designated by the Chair and not necessarily in the following order:

Interim Charge #1: Evaluate the Texas Department of Criminal justice response to Hurricane Harvey. Recommend any changes that could improve the operational stability of state criminal justice institutions following a natural disaster and changes that would allow for a more effective response.

Interim Charge #2: Examine the use of social workers and peer support specialists in the Texas criminal justice system to assist individuals on probation, on parole, or who have been discharged, in order to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes. Identify best practices and make recommendations for legislative action.

Interim Charge #4: Examine treatment options, services, and programs available to women in institutional settings, on community supervision, on parole, and in community-based programs. Make recommendations for best strategies to address the needs of women in the Texas criminal justice system.

Public testimony will follow invited testimony and may be limited to three minutes. Public testimony should relate to a particular Interim Charge on the Hearing Notice.

NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT PUBLIC MEETINGS

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