## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Economic \& Small Business Development
TIME \& DATE: 10:00 AM, Thursday, April 12, 2018
PLACE: Richardson, TX
CHAIR: Rep. Angie Button

The Committee will meet at The University of Texas at Dallas in the Naveen Jindal School of Management - Davidson Auditorium, located at 800 W . Campbell Road, Richardson, TX 75080, to hear invited testimony only on the following interim charges:
2) Study the state's effectiveness in developing and growing high-growth, high-tech start-ups. Review current regulations and determine if barriers exist that potentially impede investment and growth. Evaluate the concept of a "sandbox" as a regulatory approach for enabling innovation and the feasibility of implementing such an approach in Texas.
3) Evaluate the ongoing and long-term workforce needs of the state's businesses and industries. Determine whether state resources are adequate to address shortages and assist with closing existing or future gaps in workforce readiness and skills to ensure the continued economic security and success of the state.
4) Analyze current data on the distribution of state economic development incentives across the state. Identify advantages or qualities, if any, possessed by the regions frequently awarded state incentives. Accordingly, identify resources available to underserved regions to increase awareness or utilization of incentives.

## NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT PUBLIC MEETINGS

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