

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

10:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Criminal Justice was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator John Whitmire, Chair  
Senator Juan Hinojosa  
Senator José Rodríguez  
Senator Charles Schwertner

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Joan Huffman, Vice Chair  
Senator John Carona  
Senator Dan Patrick

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The chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Invited testimony on interim charge 2: study the operations of the Texas prison system with respect to the medical and mental health care treatment. Study potential cost savings associated with identifying offenders with dual diagnoses and routing these individuals into appropriate services before, during, and after involvement with the criminal justice system. Study the way in which geriatric parole cases are currently evaluated and identify opportunities for reducing costs associated with the geriatric inmate population without compromising public safety.

Public testimony was heard on interim charge 2.

Public testimony was closed.

There being no further business, at 12:12 PM Senator Whitmire moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator John Whitmire, Chair

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Terra Tucker, Clerk