The Joint Interim Committee to Study Human Trafficking

82nd Legislature March 5, 2012 10:00 a.m.

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036 (Senate Finance Hearing Room)

Pursuant to a notice posted on February 23, 2012, the Joint Interim Committee to Study Human Trafficking met in a public hearing and was called to order by the co-chair, Senator Van de Putte, at 10:36 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Burkett; Fletcher; Frullo; Gonzalez, Naomi; Hunter; Munoz, Jr.; Riddle; Senators Van de Putte; Huffman; and Shapiro.

A quorum was present.

Senator Van de Putte, co-chair, welcomed everyone and gave opening remarks.

(Representative Thompson now present.)

(Senator Birdwell now present.)

(Representative Thompson in chair.)

Representative Thompson, co-chair, welcomed everyone, gave opening remarks and introduced House committee staff.

Representative Thompson recognized Senator Van de Putte for introduction of Senate committee staff.

Representative Thompson, co-chair, laid out the rules for the Joint Interim Committee to Study Human Trafficking.

Representative Fletcher moved that the rules be adopted. There being no objection, the rules were adopted.

Representative Thompson, co-chair, recognized Representative Hunter for an announcement.

Representative Thompson, co-chair, announced to the witnesses that by signing the witness affirmation forms they agreed to give their testimony under oath.

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Update--82R Human Trafficking Legislation

Testimony was taken. (See attached witness list)

(Senator Van de Putte in chair.)

Testimony continued. (See attached witness list)

(Representative Thompson in chair.)

Testimony continued. (See attached witness list)

Representative Thompson, co-chair, recognized Representative Munoz for an announcement.

Testimony continued. (See attached witness list)

Update--Texas Human Trafficking Prevention Task Force

Testimony was taken. (See attached witness list)

Representative Thompson, co-chair, recognized Senator Van de Putte, co-chair, for closing remarks.

Representative Thompson, co-chair, recognized Representative Hunter for an announcement.

Representative Thompson, co-chair, recognized Representative Munoz for an announcement.

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There being no further business, at 12:23 p.m., on the motion of Representative Thompson, cochair, and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the co-chairs.	
Rep. Thompson, Co-Chair	
Sen. Van de Putte, Co-Chair	
Servando Esparza, Clerk	