

## **The House Committee on Energy Resources**

85th Legislature

April 18, 2018

9:00 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on April 6, 2018, the House Committee on Energy Resources met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Darby, at 9:09 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Darby; Anderson, Charles "Doc"; Canales; Clardy; Isaac; Lambert; Landgraf; and Walle.

A quorum was present.

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The committee considered the following interim charges:

“Examine how state policies may facilitate investment in public infrastructure and workforce development in the Permian Basin region in order to support the anticipated growth in industry activity and related population, and capture the full economic potential of the region.”

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

“Evaluate the evolution of frac sand mining in the Permian Basin and how it may impact county infrastructure and oil and gas development. Develop possible recommendations that could assist counties with frac sand mining to better prepare the area for the entrance of this new industry.”

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

“Study the Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program and its effect on gas utility ratemaking and ratepayers.”

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

“Monitor the agencies and programs under the Committee’s jurisdiction and oversee the implementation of relevant legislation passed by the 85th Legislature.”

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

“Examine how commercial wind energy facilities are decommissioned and whether current statutes adequately protect the rights of wind facility landowners.”

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

“Examine the Railroad Commission of Texas' (RRC) response to Hurricane Harvey. Study whether current state rules and regulations are sufficient to protect the public, natural resources, environment, infrastructure, and industrial facilities from damage caused by natural disasters. Evaluate options to ensure the availability of fuel reserves for first responders during natural disasters.”

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

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At 1:22 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

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Rep. Darby, Chair

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Laramie Stroud, Clerk