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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Agriculture & Rural Affairs

TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Tuesday, September 11, 2012

PLACE: E1.016 (Hearing Room)

CHAIR: Senator Craig Estes

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs will meet to discuss the following interim charges:

Study current federal, state and local safeguards regarding seafood consumption in Texas. Review existing academic studies, and federal, state, and private data relating to the safety of imported seafood, and provide recommendations on the need for additional studies and testing related to safety advisories for the public.

Examine ways to increase the use of Texas agricultural products in healthy foods readily available to Texas consumers. Evaluate the role of community initiatives in reducing obesity and diet-related diseases and make recommendations to support state and local efforts.

The Committee will hear both invited and public testimony on the above charges.

The Committee will also hear invited testimony regarding Texas drought conditions and wildfires.