The House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

84th Legislature May 19, 2016 10:30 a.m. E2.010

Pursuant to a notice posted on April 22, 2016, the House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Smithee, at 10:47 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Smithee; Clardy; Schofield; and Sheets.

(Representative Thompson, Senfronia now present.)

(Representative Hernandez now present.)

The chair laid out interim charge #6: "Examine the rights, duties, remedies, and procedures available to consumers under Subchapter M, Chapter 2301, Texas Occupations Code (the Texas "Lemon Law"). Monitor the results of complaints filed under this subchapter and how these rights, duties, remedies, and procedures compare to those in other states."

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

The chair laid out interim charge #4: "Examine issues related to jury service in Texas, including participation and response rates, the accuracy of jury wheel data, and possible methods to improve response and participation."

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

The chair laid out interim charge #1: "Study the recently enacted Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act and determine how Texas's anti-trafficking laws could benefit from the Act. In addition, examine strategies for tracking the demand for commercial sex in Texas and the feasibility of creating a statewide trafficking reporting system."

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

(Representative Thompson, Senfronia in chair.)

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

(Representative Smithee in chair.)

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

At 1:30 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Smithee, Chair

Beth Klunder, Clerk