

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

COMMITTEE: S/C on Defense & Veterans' Affairs  
TIME & DATE: 11:00 AM, Monday, April 7, 2025  
PLACE: E1.026  
CHAIR: Rep. Philip Cortez

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*The chair may limit testimony to two (2) minutes per witness.*

HCR 7                   Tepper  
Designating September 29 as Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Day for a 10-year period ending in 2035.

HB 1557               Moody | et al.  
Relating to waiver programs for certain veterans provided by toll project entities.

HB 1608               Garcia, Josey  
Relating to the adoption of a veterans' land bank program by the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation.

HB 2061               Holt  
Relating to the designation of the State Highway 242 bridge intersecting State Hwy 59 in Montgomery County as the Lance Corporal Armando Hernandez Memorial Bridge.

HB 2201               McQueeney  
Relating to the issuance of Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal specialty license plates.

HB 2210               Bumgarner  
Relating to inclusion of the United States Space Force in United States military and veteran statutory definitions.

HB 2426               Garcia, Josey  
Relating to an assessment on the use of surplus government property to provide housing to homeless veterans.

HB 2754               Garcia, Josey  
Relating to a pilot program awarding grants for the provision of personalized treatment protocols for homeless veterans diagnosed with substance use disorders.

HJR 165

Bumgarner

Proposing a constitutional amendment to include the United States Space Force in references to military service in the state constitution.

HB 2513

Tepper

Relating to a paid leave of absence for public employees serving as fire protection personnel who are engaged in certain military service.

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