

Overview of 86th Interim Charges from Senate and House Pertaining to Public Education

Topic	Senate Interim Charge	Senate Committee	House Interim Charge	House Committee
Teachers	Teacher Workforce (recruitment, preparation, continuing education, and retention)	Education		
Alt. Education	Alternative Education Students	Education		
Adult Education	Adult Education (innovative programs for non-traditional students)	Education		
DAEP	Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs	Education		
Digital Learning	Digital Learning & Texas Virtual School Network	Education	Digital learning and Technology and Instructional Materials Allotment (TIMA), as well as Texas Virtual School Network	Public Education
Special Education	Special Education, including TEA's Corrective Action Plan	Education	Special Education, including TEA compliance with Corrective Action Response	Public Education
Reporting			Monitoring: SB 1873 (85R) (reporting of health & safety information)	Public Education
School Safety/Mental Health	Monitoring: SB 11 (school safety & mental health)	Education	Monitoring related to Behavioral Health: HB 18, HB 19, HB 906, and SB 11	Public Education
HB 3 & Staff Pay Raises	Monitoring: HB 3 (school finance), specifically the impact of the GT Allotment repeal	Education	Monitoring HB 3 (school finance), specifically the rulemaking process for unintended consequences, and district staff pay raises	Public Education
	Monitoring: School District implementation of teacher compensation increases	Finance		
			Evaluate ongoing costs of HB 3	Appropriations, Article III
Accountability & Assessment	Monitoring: HB 3906 (assessments)	Education	Monitoring: HB 1842 (84r), HB 22 (85R), SB 1882 (85R), and HB 3906 (86R), which all relate to school accountability and assessments	Public Education
Spending Limit	Spending Limit	Finance		
TRS	Monitoring: SB 12 (TRS)	Finance	Actuarial soundness of ERS and TRS	HAC and Pensions & Investments
			TRS implementation of high deductible regional plans for certain school districts	Pensions & Investments

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Rainy Day Fund			Maximize potential of Economic Stabilization Fund (ESF)	Appropriations
PSF	Monitoring: HB 4388 (PSF/ASF)	Finance		
ASF	Monitoring: HB 4611 (distributions to ASF)	Finance		
Property Taxes	Monitoring: SB 2 (Property Taxes)	Property Tax	Monitoring: SB 2 (Property Taxes)	Ways & Means
			Methods to provide property tax relief, including potential sources of revenue to reduce or eliminate school district M&O tax rates	Ways & Means
Elections	Elections, including compliance with laws that prohibit school trustees and employees from improper use of funds to advocate for or against	State Affairs		
Lobbying	Taxpayer Lobbying, including study on use of public funds for the purpose of lobbying	State Affairs	How governmental entities use public funds for political lobbying	State Affairs
PIA and Open Meetings			Monitoring: SB 943 and SB 1640 (Public Information Act and Texas Open Meetings Act)	State Affairs