

TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
83RD LEGISLATURE

JOE STRAUS  
SPEAKER

STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS  
BY COMMITTEE

## **DEAN OF THE TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**In most parliamentary bodies, the members recognize the longest continuously serving member for their wisdom and guidance based, in part, on the institutional knowledge gained from their length of service. The United States House of Representatives designates this member as "Dean of the United States House of Representatives."**

**Examples of notable Deans in the past include Sir Winston Churchill, Wright Patman, and George Mahon.**

**The Honorable Thomas R. Craddick of Midland County, as the longest continuously serving member of the Texas House, is recognized as the Dean of the Texas House of Representatives. Serving in the Texas House since the 61st Legislature, Dean Craddick has served in almost a quarter of the meetings of the Texas House of Representatives since statehood in 1845.**

## **SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE**

Pursuant to Rule 1, Section 10, of the Rules of the Texas House of Representatives, I appoint the Honorable Dennis Bonnen of Brazoria County to serve as the Speaker Pro Tempore of the Texas House of Representatives, 83rd Legislature.

## Agriculture & Livestock

CHAIR:	King, Tracy
VICE-CHAIR:	Anderson, Charles "Doc"
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Kleinschmidt, Tim Springer, Drew
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	González, Mary Kacal, Kyle White, James

## Appropriations

CHAIR:	Pitts, Jim
VICE-CHAIR:	Turner, Sylvester
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Dukes, Dawnna Gonzales, Larry Howard, Donna Hughes, Bryan King, Susan McClendon, Ruth Jones Otto, John Patrick, Diane Perry, Charles Pitts, Jim Price, Four Zerwas, John
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Ashby, Trent Bell, Cecil Bonnen, Greg Carter, Stefani Crownover, Myra Darby, Drew Davis, Sarah Giddings, Helen Longoria, Oscar Márquez, Marisa Muñoz, Jr., Sergio Orr, Rob Raney, John Ratliff, Bennett

## Business & Industry

CHAIR:	Oliveira, René
VICE-CHAIR:	Bohac, Dwayne
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Orr, Rob Walle, Armando
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Rodriguez, Eddie Villalba, Jason Workman, Paul

## Calendars

CHAIR:	Hunter, Todd
VICE-CHAIR:	Lucio III, Eddie
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Alonzo, Roberto Alvarado, Carol Branch, Dan Button, Angie Chen Cook, Byron Crownover, Myra Davis, Sarah Eiland, Craig Frullo, John Geren, Charlie Giddings, Helen Kuempel, John Miller, Doug

## Corrections

CHAIR:	Parker, Tan
VICE-CHAIR:	White, James
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Allen, Alma White, James
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Riddle, Debbie Rose, Toni Sheffield, J.D. Toth, Steve



## County Affairs

**CHAIR:** Coleman, Garnet

**VICE-CHAIR:** Farias, Joe

**SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:** González, Mary  
Kolkhorst, Lois

**SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:** Hernandez Luna, Ana  
Hunter, Todd  
Krause, Matt  
Simpson, David  
Stickland, Jonathan

## Criminal Jurisprudence

CHAIR:	Herrero, Abel
VICE-CHAIR:	Carter, Stefani
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Moody, Joseph
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Burnam, Lon Canales, Terry Hughes, Bryan Leach, Jeff Schaefer, Matt Toth, Steve

## Culture, Recreation & Tourism

CHAIR:	Guillen, Ryan
VICE-CHAIR:	Dukes, Dawnna
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Aycock, Jimmie Don Kuempel, John
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Larson, Lyle Nevárez, Poncho Smith, Wayne

## Defense & Veterans' Affairs

CHAIR:	Menéndez, José
VICE-CHAIR:	Sheffield, Ralph
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Farias, Joe Sheffield, Ralph
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Collier, Nicole Frank, James Miller, Rick Moody, Joseph Schaefer, Matt Zedler, William "Bill"

## Economic & Small Business Development

CHAIR:	Davis, John
VICE-CHAIR:	Vo, Hubert
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Murphy, Jim Rodriguez, Eddie Vo, Hubert
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Bell, Cecil Davis, Yvonne Isaac, Jason Perez, Mary Workman, Paul

## Elections

CHAIR:	Morrison, Geanie
VICE-CHAIR:	Miles, Borris L.
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Klick, Stephanie Simmons, Ron
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Johnson, Eric Miller, Rick Wu, Gene

## Energy Resources

CHAIR:	Keffer, Jim
VICE-CHAIR:	Crownover, Myra
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Burnam, Lon Craddick, Tom Crownover, Myra King, Phil
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Canales, Terry Dale, Tony Lozano, J. M. Paddie, Chris Sheffield, Ralph Wu, Gene

## Environmental Regulation

CHAIR: Harless, Patricia

VICE-CHAIR: Márquez, Marisa

SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS: Isaac, Jason  
Lewis, Tryon  
Turner, Chris

SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS: Kacal, Kyle  
Reynolds, Ron  
Thompson, Ed  
Villalba, Jason



## General Investigating & Ethics

CHAIR: Zerwas, John

VICE-CHAIR: Johnson, Eric

SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS: Gonzalez, Naomi  
Hunter, Todd  
Phillips, Larry

## Government Efficiency & Reform

CHAIR:	Harper-Brown, Linda
VICE-CHAIR:	Perry, Charles
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Turner, Scott
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Capriglione, Giovanni Stephenson, Phil Taylor, Van Vo, Hubert

## Higher Education

CHAIR:	Branch, Dan
VICE-CHAIR:	Patrick, Diane
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Alonzo, Roberto Branch, Dan Martinez, Armando
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Clardy, Travis Darby, Drew Howard, Donna Murphy, Jim Raney, John

## Homeland Security & Public Safety

**CHAIR:** Pickett, Joe

**VICE-CHAIR:** Fletcher, Allen

**SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:** Dale, Tony  
Fletcher, Allen  
Lavender, George

**SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:** Cortez, Philip  
Flynn, Dan  
Kleinschmidt, Tim  
Sheets, Kenneth  
Simmons, Ron

## House Administration

CHAIR: Geren, Charlie

VICE-CHAIR: Howard, Donna

SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:

- Allen, Alma
- Alonzo, Roberto
- Frullo, John
- Gooden, Lance
- King, Susan
- Kuempel, John
- Márquez, Marisa
- Raney, John
- Vo, Hubert

## Human Services

**CHAIR:** Raymond, Richard Peña

**VICE-CHAIR:** Gonzalez, Naomi

**SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:** Naishtat, Elliott  
Rose, Toni

**SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:** Fallon, Pat  
Klick, Stephanie  
Sanford, Scott  
Turner, Scott  
Zerwas, John

## Insurance

CHAIR:	Smithee, John
VICE-CHAIR:	Eiland, Craig
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Eiland, Craig Sheets, Kenneth Taylor, Van
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Bonnen, Greg Creighton, Brandon Morrison, Geanie Muñoz, Jr., Sergio Turner, Chris

## International Trade & Intergov. Affairs

CHAIR:	Anchia, Rafael
VICE-CHAIR:	Lozano, J. M.
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Anchia, Rafael Lozano, J. M.
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Capriglione, Giovanni Creighton, Brandon Nevárez, Poncho Perez, Mary Strama, Mark



## Investments & Financial Services

CHAIR:	Villarreal, Mike
VICE-CHAIR:	Flynn, Dan
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Flynn, Dan Phillips, Larry
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Anderson, Charles "Doc" Burkett, Cindy Laubenberg, Jodie Longoria, Oscar

## Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

CHAIR:	Lewis, Tryon
VICE-CHAIR:	Farrar, Jessica
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Farrar, Jessica Hernandez Luna, Ana Raymond, Richard Peña
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Farney, Marsha Gooden, Lance Hunter, Todd King, Ken Thompson, Senfronia

## Land & Resource Management

CHAIR:	Deshotel, Joe
VICE-CHAIR:	Walle, Armando
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Herrero, Abel Paddie, Chris Simpson, David
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Frank, James Goldman, Craig Parker, Tan Springer, Drew

## Licensing & Administrative Procedures

CHAIR:	Smith, Wayne
VICE-CHAIR:	Kuempel, John
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Guillen, Ryan Smith, Wayne Thompson, Senfronia
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Geren, Charlie Gooden, Lance Gutierrez, Roland Miles, Borris L. Price, Four

## Local & Consent Calendars

CHAIR: Thompson, Senfronia

VICE-CHAIR: Larson, Lyle

SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:

- Anderson, Charles "Doc"
- Bohac, Dwayne
- Burkett, Cindy
- Clardy, Travis
- Collier, Nicole
- Farney, Marsha
- Gonzales, Larry
- Martinez, Armando
- Moody, Joseph
- Muñoz, Jr., Sergio
- Sheets, Kenneth

## Natural Resources

CHAIR:	Ritter, Allan
VICE-CHAIR:	Johnson, Eric
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Callegari, William "Bill" Keffer, Jim King, Tracy Martinez Fischer, Trey
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Ashby, Trent Bonnen, Dennis Larson, Lyle Lucio III, Eddie Miller, Doug

## Pensions

CHAIR:	Callegari, William "Bill"
VICE-CHAIR:	Alonzo, Roberto
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Frullo, John Gutierrez, Roland
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Branch, Dan King, Phil Stephenson, Phil

## Public Education

**CHAIR:** Aycock, Jimmie Don

**VICE-CHAIR:** Allen, Alma

**SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:** Davis, John  
Deshotel, Joe  
Dutton, Jr., Harold  
Villarreal, Mike

**SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:** Farney, Marsha  
Huberty, Dan  
King, Ken  
Ratliff, Bennett  
Rodriguez, Justin



## Public Health

CHAIR: Kolkhorst, Lois

VICE-CHAIR: Naishtat, Elliott

SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS: Coleman, Garnet  
Davis, Sarah  
Laubenberg, Jodie  
Zedler, William "Bill"

SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS: Collier, Nicole  
Cortez, Philip  
Guerra, R.D. "Bobby"  
King, Susan  
Sheffield, J.D.

## Redistricting

**CHAIR:** Darby, Drew

**VICE-CHAIR:** Davis, Yvonne

**SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:** Creighton, Brandon  
Gonzales, Larry  
Hunter, Todd  
Keffer, Jim  
Oliveira, René  
Pickett, Joe  
Thompson, Senfronia

## Rules & Resolutions

**CHAIR:** McClendon, Ruth Jones

**VICE-CHAIR:** Isaac, Jason

**SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:** Farias, Joe  
Klick, Stephanie  
Leach, Jeff  
Lozano, J. M.  
Nevárez, Poncho  
Patrick, Diane  
Perez, Mary  
Raymond, Richard Peña  
Sheffield, J.D.

## Special Purpose Districts

CHAIR: Bonnen, Dennis

VICE-CHAIR: Miller, Doug

SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS: Bonnen, Dennis  
Clardy, Travis  
Miller, Doug

SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS: Alvarado, Carol  
Goldman, Craig  
Krause, Matt  
Lucio III, Eddie  
Stickland, Jonathan  
Thompson, Ed

## State Affairs

CHAIR:	Cook, Byron
VICE-CHAIR:	Giddings, Helen
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Giddings, Helen Hilderbran, Harvey Oliveira, René Smithee, John Turner, Sylvester
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Craddick, Tom Farrar, Jessica Frullo, John Geren, Charlie Harless, Patricia Huberty, Dan Menéndez, José

## Technology

CHAIR:	Elkins, Gary
VICE-CHAIR:	Button, Angie Chen
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Button, Angie Chen
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Fallon, Pat Gonzales, Larry Reynolds, Ron

## Transportation

CHAIR:	Phillips, Larry
VICE-CHAIR:	Martinez, Armando
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Davis, Yvonne Harper-Brown, Linda Pickett, Joe Riddle, Debbie
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Burkett, Cindy Fletcher, Allen Guerra, R.D. "Bobby" Lavender, George McClendon, Ruth Jones

## Urban Affairs

CHAIR: Dutton, Jr., Harold

VICE-CHAIR: Alvarado, Carol

SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:  
Anchia, Rafael  
Elkins, Gary  
Leach, Jeff  
Rodriguez, Justin  
Sanford, Scott



## Ways & Means

CHAIR:	Hilderbran, Harvey
VICE-CHAIR:	Otto, John
SENIORITY APPOINTMENTS:	Bohac, Dwayne Ritter, Allan Strama, Mark
SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:	Button, Angie Chen Eiland, Craig Gonzalez, Naomi Martinez Fischer, Trey

## **PROCLAMATION**

### **APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON FEDERALISM AND FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Pursuant to Rule 1, Section 16, House Rules, I, Joe Straus, Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, create the House Select Committee on Federalism and Fiscal Responsibility.

This committee shall monitor actions of the federal government, including federal legislation and regulations that direct or suggest that states take certain actions or pass legislation.

The committee shall also monitor issues related to federal sequestration and its impact on Texas. The committee shall study, review, and hear legislation referred to it relating to emerging issues related to sequestration. Further, the committee shall investigate the efforts undertaken by other states to avoid the damaging effects of sequestration on states and state systems.

The committee shall have 5 members.

The following members are hereby appointed to the House Select Committee on Federalism and Fiscal Responsibility:

Brandon Creighton, Chair  
Cindy Burkett  
Eddie Lucio III  
Scott Turner  
Armando Walle

## **PROCLAMATION**

### **APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL PROCEDURE REFORM**

Pursuant to Rule 1, Section 16, House Rules, I, Joe Straus, Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, create the House Select Committee on Criminal Procedure Reform.

The Code of Criminal Procedure governs the treatment of every person and entity involved in a criminal proceeding in Texas. It safeguards the rights of the accused and our State. The code provides mechanisms not only for prosecution but also for prevention of crimes against our citizens. This vital statute has not been rewritten since 1965. As a result, it has become overcrowded, disorganized, and difficult to navigate, such that there is a pressing need to consider rewriting and reorganizing it. Therefore, this select committee shall study and make recommendations regarding the reorganization and revision of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

The committee may use the resources of or request assistance from any state agency, including the Texas Legislative Council and the Office of the Attorney General.

The committee shall have 5 members.

The following members are hereby appointed to the House Select Committee on Criminal Procedure Reform:

Debbie Riddle, Chair  
Stefani Carter  
Abel Herrero  
Joseph Moody  
Tan Parker

## **PROCLAMATION**

### **APPOINTMENT OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON TRANSPARENCY IN STATE AGENCY OPERATIONS**

Pursuant to Rule 1, Section 16, House Rules, 1, Joe Straus, Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, create the House Select Committee on Transparency in State Agency Operations.

While for a number of years the legislature has had a General Investigating and Ethics Committee to investigate and examine legislative issues, we have never had a single investigative committee focused on other branches of government. In recognition of the fact that it is in the best interest of Texans to remain engaged and informed about the operations of all branches of government, and to encourage greater transparency in the expenditure of state funds, this committee shall oversee transparency in the reporting of financial transactions of judicial and executive state agencies and affiliated entities. This oversight shall include monitoring the operations of executive and judicial state agencies as well as affiliated agencies, entities, foundations, and related support groups.

Further, the committee shall monitor the hiring and compensation practices of judicial and executive state agencies, including any affiliated entities, whether public or private. It shall also oversee the purchasing decisions made by judicial and executive state agencies and affiliated entities.

This committee may request the assistance of other committees in obtaining information.

The committee shall have 8 members.

The following members are hereby appointed to the House Select Committee on Transparency in State Agency Operations:

Carol Alvarado, Co-Chair  
Dan Flynn, Co-Chair  
Naomi Gonzalez  
Eric Johnson  
Lyle Larson  
Trey Martinez Fischer  
Charles Perry  
Four Price