

PROCLAMATION

**CREATION OF HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON
STATEWIDE HEALTH CARE COSTS**

Pursuant to Rule 1, Section 16(b), Rules of the House of Representatives, I, Dennis Bonnen, Speaker of the House, hereby create the House Select Committee on Statewide Health Care Costs.

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP, AUTHORITY, AND DURATION

The committee shall have 11 members and shall have the same authority and duties conferred on standing committees under the Rules of the House of Representatives. The committee expires on the date the 87th Legislature convenes.

The following members are hereby appointed to the House Select Committee on Statewide Health Care Costs:

Greg Bonnen, Chair
Senfronia Thompson, Vice-Chair
Garnet Coleman
Philip Cortez
James Frank
Cody Harris
Cole Hefner
Stephanie Klick
Eddie Lucio III
Christina Morales
Tom Oliverson

SECTION 2. DUTIES

The committee shall:

- (a) Examine the primary drivers of increased health care costs in Texas. This examination should include a review of:
 - (1) current health care financing strategies;
 - (2) fragmentation of the care delivery administrative burden;
 - (3) population, health, and social factors that contribute to rising rates of chronic disease and poor health;
 - (4) insurance coverage and benefit design;
 - (5) lack of transparency in the cost of health care services;
 - (6) regional variations in the cost of care;
 - (7) consolidation and lack of competition in the provider and insurance markets;
 - (8) health care workforce capacity distribution; and
 - (9) fraud, abuse, and wasteful spending;
- (b) Study opportunities to better coordinate how public dollars are spent on health care; and
- (c) Identify emerging and proven delivery system improvements and sustainable financing models that could reduce the cost of health care.

SECTION 3. REPORTING

The committee shall submit a final report in the same manner as an interim study committee under Rule 4, Section 61, Rules of the House of Representatives.

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Dennis Bonnen
Speaker of the House

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Date