

- 9. Discussion and possible action on the appointment of a new commission representative to the Texas Homeland Security Council.**

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## CHAPTER 421. HOMELAND SECURITY

## SUBCHAPTER B. HOMELAND SECURITY COUNCIL

Sec. 421.021. MEMBERSHIP. (a) The Homeland Security Council is composed of the governor or the governor's designee, the speaker of the house of representatives or the speaker's designee, the lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee, and one representative of each of the following entities, appointed by the single statewide elected or appointed governing officer, administrative head, or chair, as appropriate, of the entity:

- (1) Department of Agriculture;
- (2) office of the attorney general;
- (3) General Land Office;
- (4) Public Utility Commission of Texas;
- (5) Department of State Health Services;
- (6) Department of Information Resources;
- (7) Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas;
- (8) Texas Division of Emergency Management;
- (9) adjutant general's department;
- (10) Texas Commission on Environmental Quality;
- (11) Railroad Commission of Texas;
- (12) Texas Strategic Military Planning Commission;
- (13) Texas Department of Transportation;
- (14) Commission on State Emergency Communications;
- (15) Office of State-Federal Relations;
- (16) secretary of state;
- (17) Senate Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security;
- (18) House Committee on Defense and Veterans' Affairs;
- (19) Texas Animal Health Commission;
- (20) Texas Association of Regional Councils;

- (21) Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education;
- (22) state fire marshal's office;
- (23) Texas Education Agency;
- (24) Texas Commission on Fire Protection;
- (25) Parks and Wildlife Department;
- (26) Texas Forest Service; and
- (27) Texas Water Development Board.

(b) To be eligible for appointment as a member of the council, a person must be directly involved in policies, programs, or funding activities that are relevant to homeland security or infrastructure protection.

(c) A member of the council serves at the will of the governor. At the request of the governor, an appointing authority under this section shall appoint a different member.

(d) An officer or employee of a state or local agency who serves as a member of the council or a special advisory committee under this subchapter shall perform the duties required by the council or special advisory committee as an additional duty of the member's office or employment.

Added by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1312, Sec. 1, eff. June 21, 2003.

Amended by:

Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. [1337](#), Sec. 10, eff. June 18, 2005.

Acts 2009, 81st Leg., R.S., Ch. [1146](#), Sec. 2B.06, eff. September 1, 2009.

Sec. 421.022. REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES. A member of the council may not receive additional compensation for service on the council but is entitled to reimbursement of reasonable expenses incurred in direct performance of official duties, including travel expenses incurred by the member while conducting the business of the council, subject to any applicable limitation on reimbursement provided by general law or the General Appropriations Act.

Added by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1312, Sec. 1, eff. June 21, 2003.

Sec. 421.023. ADMINISTRATION. (a) The council is an advisory entity administered by the office of the governor.

(b) The governor may adopt rules as necessary for the operation of the council.

(c) The governor shall designate the presiding officer of the council.

(d) The council shall meet at the call of the governor and shall meet at least once each quarter in a calendar year.

(e) The council is not subject to Chapter 2110.

Added by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1312, Sec. 1, eff. June 21, 2003.

Sec. 421.024. DUTIES. The council shall advise the governor on:

(1) the development and coordination of a statewide critical infrastructure protection strategy;

(2) the implementation of the governor's homeland security strategy by state and local agencies and provide specific suggestions for helping those agencies implement the strategy; and

(3) other matters related to the planning, development, coordination, and implementation of initiatives to promote the governor's homeland security strategy.

Added by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1312, Sec. 1, eff. June 21, 2003