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EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

Date and Time: 2:00 p.m., Thursday, December 13, 2018 Location: Room E1.014, Capitol Extension, Austin, Texas

- 1. Call to order; roll call.
- 2. Executive session pursuant to Section 551.071, Government Code, Consultation with Attorneys, and Section 551.074, Government Code, Personnel Matters; Closed Meeting.
- 3. Discussion of pending litigation to seek legal advice relating to the following:
 - A. Cause No. D-1-GN-17-001878: *Texas Ethics Commission v. Michael Quinn Sullivan*, in the 250th Judicial District Court in Travis County, Texas; Cause No. 03-17-00392-CV: *Michael Quinn Sullivan v. Texas Ethics Commission*, in the Third Court of Appeals at Austin, Texas; and Cause No. 18-0580: *Michael Quinn Sullivan v. Texas Ethics Commission*, in the Supreme Court of Texas.
 - B. Cause No. D-1-GN-14-001252: Empower Texans, Inc. and Michael Quinn Sullivan v. State of Texas Ethics Commission; Natalia Luna Ashley, in her capacity as Executive Director of the Texas Ethics Commission; Tom Ramsay, individually and in his capacity as Commissioner; et al.; in the 53rd Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas; and related case, Cause No. 03-17-00770-CV: Empower Texans, Inc., and Michael Quinn Sullivan v. Tom Ramsay in his individual capacity, et al.; in the Third Court of Appeals, Austin, Texas.
 - C. Cause No. D-1-GN-15-004455: Texas Ethics Commission v. Empower Texans, Inc. and Michael Quinn Sullivan, in the 345th Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas; and related case, Cause No. 03-16-00872-CV: Empower Texans, Inc., and Michael Quinn Sullivan v. Texas Ethics Commission, in the Third Court of Appeals, Austin, Texas.

- D. Cause No. D-1-GN-16-000149: *Texas Home School Coalition Association, Inc. v. Texas Ethics Commission*, in the 261st Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas; and related case, Cause No. 03-17-00167-CV: *Texas Home School Coalition Association, Inc. v. Texas Ethics Commission*, in the Third Court of Appeals, Austin, Texas.
- 4. Discussion and seeking legal advice regarding referrals and orders under Subchapter F (Enforcement), Chapter 571, Texas Government Code.
- 5. Discussion and seeking legal advice regarding the TEC's authority to charge a convenience fee for credit card payments.
- 6. Discussion of personnel matters related to Executive Director, General Counsel, Director of Enforcement, and staffing in Legal Division.
- 7. Reconvene in open session.
- 8. Adjourn.

CERTIFICATION: I certify that I have reviewed this document and that it conforms to all applicable Texas Register filing requirements. Certifying Official & Agency Liaison: Seana Willing, Executive Director.

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