

Invited Testimony for the Senate Education Committee

Regarding Interim Charge #1

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Senate Interim Charge 1:

Study public school management practices, including the use and options for shared services for both academics and operations. Examine the role of Regional Education Service Centers; specifically review the types of services being provided and their ability to assist school districts with improving efficiencies.

- I. Region One Overview and Demographics
- II. ESC Roles and Purpose (Chapter 8, Texas Education Code)
- III. ESC Services to LEAs and School-Communities
  - A. Professional Development (P-12)
  - B. Technical Assistance and Support
  - C. Early Childhood Intervention/Head Start Programs
  - D. Adult Education Programs
- IV. ESC Efficiencies
  - A. Needs-Based Deliverables for LEAs
  - B. Collaboratives/Cooperatives
  - C. Implementation of Federal, State and Local Initiatives
  - D. Coordination of Programs and Services
  - E. Special Data/Informational Requests
- V. Specialized Assistance
  - A. Hurricane Preparedness and Coordination (Coastal Regions)
  - B. Other



Number of Individuals Trained	<u>53,318</u>
Training Contact Hours Delivered	<u>788,897</u> hours
Consulting Assistance Contacts	<u>282,681</u>
Consulting Assistance of a Quarter Hour or Greater	<u>267,446</u> hours

Source: Region One ESC Balanced Scorecard data from September 1, 2011 through June 29, 2012