



TEXAS HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES



Vincent Perez

State Representative, District 77

August 25, 2025

The Honorable Charlie Geren
Chairman Committee on House Administration
Texas House of Representatives

RE: Rule 5 §3 — Timely Response and Requests

Chairman Geren and Members of the Committee on House Administration:

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 21, 2025. However, the correspondence did not provide adequate notice of the hearing process, the deadline for requesting a hearing, or the method by which the fine amount was calculated. To the extent the correspondence was intended to establish a deadline, this letter shall serve as (a) my written response, (b) my formal request for a due-process hearing with counsel, and (c) my request for an extension of time following disclosure of the hearing process, so that my counsel may request, obtain, and review the records necessary to prepare for the hearing.

Requests:

1. Hearing, counsel, and transcript. Please schedule a hearing at the earliest mutually workable date and confirm that the proceeding will be conducted on the record, with a verbatim transcript by a certified court reporter. If the Committee does not provide a reporter, please confirm I may arrange one at my expense and that the reporter will be permitted to transcribe the proceeding.
2. Public access / comment. I request that the hearing be open to the public (or livestreamed) and that the Committee accept public comment or written statements for the record, consistent with House practice.
3. Brief extension. Please grant a short extension to allow my counsel adequate time to prepare arguments once the Committee produces the requested materials following determination of the hearing process.
4. Stay of collection. Please stay any enforcement or impoundment of my monthly operating-account credit pending final disposition. My request for a stay does not waive any rights.
5. Caucus-level meetings. Separate from my individual Rule 5, §3 hearing request, if the Committee convenes or participates in any caucus-level meetings with the House Democratic Caucus concerning fines or cost methodology, I respectfully request to be included (with my counsel) as a participant/observer. My attendance does not waive any rights or substitute for or delay my individual hearing.

I expressly reserve the right to request additional information and/or documents upon receipt of your responses. Nothing herein waives any privileges, immunities, or objections, including those under the Texas Constitution and the House Rules. This response does not constitute a waiver of my right to a hearing, which I specifically request and desire.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Vincent M. Perez". The signature is stylized with a large, looping "V" and a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Vincent M. Perez
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