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SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS

Monday, March 7, 2011
1:30 PM or upon adjournment
Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Affairs was held on Monday, March 7, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Craig Estes, Chair
Senator Carlos Uresti, Vice Chair
Senator Glenn Hegar
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Mike Jackson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 3:11 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Uresti moved adoption of the committee rules. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:15 PM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

Senator Uresti laid out SB 478 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Glenn Hegar

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Senator Uresti moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 478 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:28 PM Senator Estes assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 199 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

The chair moved that SB 199 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 390 and recognized the author, Senator Hegar, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that SB 390 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 387 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that SB 387 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:01 PM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

Senator Uresti laid out SB 479 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

Senator Uresti moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 479 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti laid out SB 766 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

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Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

Senator Uresti sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Estes to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

Senator Uresti moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that the committee substitute to SB 766 be withdrawn; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 766 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti laid out SB 248 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

Senator Uresti sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Estes to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

Senator Uresti moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that the committee substitute to SB 248 be withdrawn; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that SB 248 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 5:41 PM Senator Estes resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 5:43 PM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Craig Estes, Chair

Ashley Patton, Clerk