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SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS

Monday, May 16, 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, May 16, 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 Mike Jackson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Juan Hinojosa

The chair called the meeting to order at 1:42 PM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 2742 and explained 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 HB 2742 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 414 and in the absence of the Senate sponsor, explained 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. Senator Estes moved that HB 414 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 412 and in absence of the Senate sponsor explained the bill.

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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. Senator Estes moved that HB 412 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3808 and in the absence of the Senate sponsor, explained 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. Senator Estes moved that HB 3808 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:49 PM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed until 2:00 PM. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:00 PM Senator Estes reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out HB 2127 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Harris, 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. Senator Estes moved that HB 2127 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2189 and in absence of the Senate sponsor, explained 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. Senator Estes moved that HB 2189 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2471 and recognized Senator Hegar to explain the bill. Senator Estes moved that HB 2471 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1992 and in the absence of the Senate sponsor recognized Senator Hegar to explain the bill. Senator Hegar sent up a committee substitute and explained 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. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. The committee substitute was withdrawn. Senator Estes moved that HB 1992 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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At 2:17 PM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed until 2:45 PM or arrival of a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:35 PM Senator Estes reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 338. Senator Jackson moved that HB 338 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Jackson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 412. Senator Hegar moved that HB 412 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hegar moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 414. Senator Hegar moved that HB 414 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hegar moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2127. Senator Jackson moved that HB 2127 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Jackson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2189. Senator Hegar moved that HB 2189 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2471. Senator Jackson moved that HB 2471 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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Senator Jackson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2742. Senator Hegar moved that HB 2742 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hegar moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3808. Senator Jackson moved that HB 3808 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Jackson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1992. Senator Hegar sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Estes to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Hegar moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hegar moved that HB 1992 do not pass but that CSHB 1992 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hegar moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 2:44 PM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Craig Estes, Chair

Ashley Patton, Clerk