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SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Friday, May 20, 2011 2:00 PM or 15 minutes upon Senate Recess Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations was held on Friday, May 20, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Senator Royce West, Chair Senator Robert Nichols, Vice Chair Senator Mario Gallegos, Jr. **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Senator Dan Patrick Senator Jeff Wentworth

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:36 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Nichols moved adoption of the minutes from the previous hearings held on May 18, 2011, and May 19, 2011. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3852 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 3852 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 2338 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 2338 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3845 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Nichols to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill, as engrossed. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 3845 do not pass but that CSHB 3845 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3462 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodriguez, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 3462 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3352 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Gallegos, Jr., to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 3352 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3862 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 3862 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2315 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 2315 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 427 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 427 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2266 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 2266 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 645 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 645 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 896 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 896 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3133 and recognized Senator Hinojosa, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill, as engrossed. Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 3133 do not pass but that CSHB 3133 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2316 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Nichols to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Nichols moved that HB 2316 do not pass but that CSHB 2316 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 1690 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Deuell, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 1690 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3821 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 3821 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3216 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 3216 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3834 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Nichols moved that HB 3834 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3815 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 3815 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The Chair laid out HB 3743 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Nichols to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Nichols moved that HB 3743 do not pass but that CSHB 3743 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Nichols 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 3804 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 3804 do not pass but that CSHB 3804 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3076 and recognized Senator Gallegos, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 3076 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. 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 3:20 PM Senator West moved that the Committee be adjourned, Sine Die. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Royce West, Chair

Tiffany White, Clerk