

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tuesday, April 19, 2011

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Steve Ogden, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Bob Deuell
Senator Robert Duncan
Senator Kevin Eltife
Senator Craig Estes
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.
Senator Jane Nelson
Senator Dan Patrick
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Florence Shapiro
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire
Senator Tommy Williams
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM. The following business was transacted:

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1579 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1582 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

Senator Ogden sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ogden to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ogden moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa moved to withdraw the committee substitute for clarification. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved to withdraw SB 1582. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1583 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

Senator Ogden sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ogden to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ogden 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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1583 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1582 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

Senator Ogden sent up a committee substitute for SB 1582; the chair recognized Senator Ogden to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ogden moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1582 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1584 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

Senator Ogden sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ogden to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ogden 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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1584 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Public testimony was opened for SB 1582.

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 laid out SB 1581 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

Senator Ogden sent up Committee Amendment 1 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

Senator Ogden sent up Committee Amendment 2 and moved adoption; The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 6 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1581 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ogden resumed the chair.

At 10:55 AM Senator Ogden moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:02 PM the Committee reconvened.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1580 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

Senator Ogden sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ogden to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ogden 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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1580 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SJR 5 and recognized the author, Senator Ogden, to explain the bill.

Senator Ogden sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ogden to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ogden 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 Hinojosa moved that SJR 5 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ogden resumed the chair.

At 4:12 PM Senator Ogden moved that the Committee stand recessed until 4:30 PM. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:45 PM the Committee reconvened.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1811 and recognized the author, Senator Duncan, to explain the bill.

Senator Duncan sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Duncan to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Duncan moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West sent up Committee Amendment 1.

Senator Duncan sent up Committee Amendment 2.

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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1811 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There was no action taken for the following bills: SB 1585 and SB 1586.

There being no further business, at 6:45 PM Senator Hinojosa moved that the Committee stand recessed until 10:00 AM, Wednesday, April 20, 2011. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Steve Ogden, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk