

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & TRADE**

Wednesday, April 20, 2011

11:00 AM or Upon Adjournment

Senator Lucio, Jr.'s Desk

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Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on International Relations & Trade was held on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, at Senator Lucio, Jr.'s Desk.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair  
Senator Wendy Davis, Vice Chair  
Senator Troy Fraser  
Senator Mario Gallegos, Jr.  
Senator Jose Rodriguez  
Senator Kel Seliger  
Senator Tommy Williams

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The posting rule, Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, was suspended to hear the following bill(s):

HB 699

SB 1809

SB 1816

The chair called the meeting to order at 2:58 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

At 2:58 PM Senator Davis assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 699 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, Jr., to explain the bill.

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Senator Rodriguez sent up a committee substitute; Senator Lucio, Jr. moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 699 do not pass but that CSHB 699 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1809 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 1809 do not pass but that CSSB 1809 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1816 and recognized Senator Lucio, Jr., in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

At 3:02 PM Senator Lucio, Jr. resumed the chair.

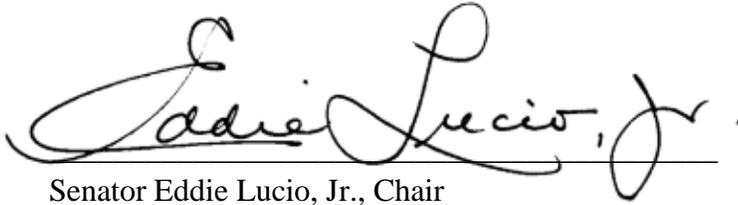
Senator Gallegos, Jr. sent up a committee substitute; Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodriguez moved that SB 1816 do not pass but that CSSB 1816 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

Senator Gallegos, Jr. moved that HB 699 be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:05 PM Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Natalie Fontenot" written over a horizontal line.

Natalie Fontenot, Clerk