

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

Tuesday, May 10, 2011  
1:30 PM or upon adjournment  
Betty King Committee Room

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Jurisprudence was held on Tuesday, May 10, 2011, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Chris Harris, Chair  
Senator Jose Rodriguez, Vice Chair  
Senator Robert Duncan  
Senator Mario Gallegos, Jr.  
Senator Joan Huffman  
Senator Carlos Uresti

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator John Carona

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Senator Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. There being a quorum present at 2:08, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1807 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

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

There being no one registered to testify the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodriguez moved that SB 1807 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1426 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Wentworth, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 Rodriguez moved that HB 1426 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1559 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 Rodriguez moved that HB 1559 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1633 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, 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 Rodriguez moved that HB 1633 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:30 PM Senator Harris assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 549 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 Harris moved that HB 549 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 962 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodriguez, 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 Harris moved that HB 962 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 627 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Gallegos, Jr., to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 Harris moved that HB 627 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1048 and recognized Senator Rodriguez, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There being no one registered to testify the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Harris moved that HB 1048 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:50 PM Senator Rodriguez assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 901 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 Rodriguez moved that HB 901 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2488 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Harris, to explain the bill.

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

Witnesses 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 Rodriguez moved that HB 2488 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3174 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 Rodriguez moved that HB 3174 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:05 PM Senator Harris assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1614 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Deuell, 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 Harris moved that HB 1614 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:20 PM Senator Harris moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Chris Harris, Chair

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Katie Qualls, Clerk