

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, February 15, 2011

8:30 AM

Senate Chamber

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources was held on Tuesday, February 15, 2011, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Troy Fraser, Chair
Senator Craig Estes, Vice Chair
Senator Bob Deuell
Senator Robert Duncan
Senator Kevin Eltife
Senator Glenn Hegar
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Mike Jackson
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Carlos Uresti

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Carona called the Business and Commerce Committee to order at 8:30 AM.

Senator Fraser laid out the proposed Natural Resources committee rules for the 82nd Legislature and Senator Jackson moved adoption of the Natural Resources committee rules. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Duncan and Senator Deuell.

Senator John Carona and Senator Troy Fraser shared presiding duties.

Senator Fraser called Panel 1 to provide invited testimony on ERCOT and power outages (see attached witness list).

There being no further business, at 10:33 AM Senator Fraser moved that the Committee stand recessed until 45 minutes after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:03 PM Senator Fraser reconvened the meeting.

Senator Fraser called Panel 2 to provide invited testimony on ERCOT and power outages (see attached witness list).

Senator Fraser called Panel 3 to provide invited testimony on ERCOT and power outages (see attached witness list).

Senator Fraser called Panel 4 to provide invited testimony on ERCOT and power outages (see attached witness list).

Senator Fraser opened public testimony. Public testimony was limited to three minutes.

Witnesses providing public testimony are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:32 PM Senator Fraser moved that the Natural Resources Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:32 PM Senator Van de Putte moved that the Business and Commerce Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Troy Fraser, Chair

Natalie Nix, Assistant Committee Clerk