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SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & HOMELAND SECURITY

Wednesday, April 6, 2011

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security was held on Wednesday, April 6, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Tommy Williams, Chair
Senator Kirk Watson, Vice Chair
Senator Wendy Davis
Senator Rodney Ellis
Senator Chris Harris
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Florence Shapiro
Senator Jeff Wentworth

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. There being a quorum present as 8:10 AM, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Rodney Ellis
Senator Chris Harris
Senator Juan Hinojosa

The chair laid out SB 1371 and recognized the author, Senator Carona, to explain the bill.

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Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Carona to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. 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 Williams moved that SB 1371 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1559 and recognized the author, Senator Carona, 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 Williams moved that SB 1559 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 896 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, 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 Williams moved that SB 896 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 947 and recognized the author, Senator Patrick, 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 Williams moved that SB 947 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Watson assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1311 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Watson moved that SB 1311 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 530 and recognized the author, 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 Watson moved that SB 530 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 150 and recognized Senator Shapiro, in the absence of the author, 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 Watson moved that SB 150 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1481 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill.

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

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 Watson moved that SB 1481 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1096 and recognized the author, Senator Rodriguez, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Watson moved that SB 1096 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Williams assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 529 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

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

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 Williams moved that SB 529 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1100 and recognized the author, Senator Shapiro, 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 Williams moved that SB 1100 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SCR 36 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, 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 Hinojosa moved that SCR 36 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Williams resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1831 and recognized the author, Senator Wentworth, to explain the bill.

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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 Williams moved that SB 1831 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Watson assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 266 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

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

The chair laid out SB 267 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

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

The chair laid out SB 1035 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

The chair laid out SB 1036 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on SB 266, SB 267, SB 1035, and SB 1036 are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony for SB 266, SB 267, SB 1035, and SB 1036 be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Watson moved that SB 266, SB 267, SB 1035, and SB 1036 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Williams resumed the chair.

Senator Williams moved that the Committee stand at ease until adjournment of the Senate.

The chair reconvened the Senate Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security at 1:39 PM.

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Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1065 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

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

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 SB 1065 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1401 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

Senator Williams sent up Committee Amendment 1.

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 SB 1401 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Williams resumed the chair.

Senator Williams moved that the Committee stand at ease upon arrival of a quorum.

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There being no further business, at 2:20 PM Senator Williams moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Tommy Williams, Chair

Tulsi Reddy, Clerk