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SENATE COMMITTEE ON VETERAN AFFAIRS & MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

Wednesday, May 18, 2011
1:30 PM or upon adjournment
Betty King Committee Room

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations was held on Wednesday, May 18, 2011, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Leticia Van de Putte, Chair
Senator Brian Birdwell, Vice Chair
Senator Craig Estes
Senator Jose Rodriguez

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Wendy Davis

The chair called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair recognized Senator Birdwell to lead the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

The chair laid out HB 3580 and recognized Senator Birdwell to explain the bill on behalf of the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan.

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. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

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The chair laid out HB 2417 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodriguez, 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. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

At 2:43 PM Senator Birdwell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1408 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, 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 Van de Putte moved that HB 1408 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1784 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, 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. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 2688 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, to explain the bill.

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

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

Senator Van de Putte moved that HB 2688 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:26 PM Senator Van de Putte resumed the chair.

There was no action taken for the following bill(s):

HB 388

HB 3237

There being no further business, at 3:27 PM Senator Van de Putte moved that the Committee be adjourned. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Leticia Van de Putte, Chair

Felicia Wright, Clerk