

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Wednesday, April 17, 2013  
1:30 PM or upon adjournment  
Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

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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 Intergovernmental Relations was held on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Juan Hinojosa, Chair  
Senator Robert Nichols, Vice Chair  
Senator Sylvia Garcia  
Senator Ken Paxton  
Senator Larry Taylor

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 4:18 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the minutes from the previous hearing held on April 10, 2013; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1862 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. The chair moved for public testimony to be opened; there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1862 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols 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 SB 1872 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. The chair moved for public testimony to be opened; 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 1872 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1869 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill. The chair moved for public testimony to be opened; there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1869 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1761 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1761 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1856 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Eltife to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1856 do not pass but that CSSB 1856 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols 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 SB 1466 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Estes 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.

At 5:06PM the chair moved to show Senator Paxton present.

The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Hinojosa moved that CSSB 1466 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1854 and recognized the author, Senator Hegar, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1854 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1864 and recognized the author, Senator Hegar, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Hegar 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. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1864 do not pass but that CSSB 1864 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1858 and recognized Senator Garcia, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Garcia moved that SB 1858 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Garcia 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 SB 1859 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1859 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1046 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. Senator Garcia sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodriguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Garcia moved that SB 1046 do not pass but that CSSB 1046 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Garcia moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved to recess at 5:43pm. The chair reconvened hearing at 6:17pm.

The chair laid out SB 1262 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. Senator Garcia sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodriguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony 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 Garcia moved that SB 1262 do not pass but that CSSB 1262 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Garcia moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1691 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. Senator Garcia sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodriguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Garcia moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved to pend CSSB 1691 for a few minutes without objection, it was so ordered.

At 6:51 PM Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1863 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1863 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:10 PM Senator Hinojosa resumed the chair.

At 7:10PM The chair moved to return to CSSB 1691. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Garcia moved that SB 1691 do not pass but that CSSB 1691 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Garcia moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1861 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Taylor moved that SB 1861 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Taylor moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1884 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, to explain the bill. Senator Taylor sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Taylor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Taylor moved that SB 1884 do not pass but that CSSB 1884 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 1738 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. Senator Garcia sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodriguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Garcia moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1738 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:31 PM Senator Garcia assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1569 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Hinojosa moved that SB 1569 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SJR 54 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony there was none. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that SJR 54 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:51 PM Senator Hinojosa resumed the chair.

There was no action taken on the following bills: CSSB 1087, CSSB 1333, CSSB 1383

There being no further business, at 7:55 PM Senator Hinojosa moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Juan Hinojosa, Chair

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JD Pedraza, Clerk