

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Wednesday, May 8, 2013

8:00 AM or upon recess/adjournment

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 Economic Development was held on Wednesday, May 8, 2013, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Bob Deuell, Chair

Senator Kelly Hancock, Vice Chair

Senator Brian Birdwell

Senator Wendy Davis

Senator Kirk Watson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Kevin Eltife

Senator Troy Fraser

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 722 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, 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 Deuell moved that HB 722 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3337 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, 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 Deuell moved that HB 3337 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Hancock moved that HB 3337 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 2 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 939 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, 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 Deuell moved that HB 939 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Hancock moved that HB 939 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 2 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 762 and recognized Senator Hancock, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Deuell moved that HB 762 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Hancock moved that HB 762 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 2 absent.

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

Senator Hancock assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HCR 56 and recognized Senator Deuell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Deuell moved that HCR 56 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Deuell moved that HCR 56 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 2 absent.

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

Senator Deuell resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1580 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Ellis, 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 Deuell moved that HB 1580 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Deuell moved that the Committee stand recessed until 8:50 AM. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 8:55 AM Senator Deuell reconvened the meeting.

Senator Hancock moved adoption of the minutes from the previous hearing held on May 1, 2013; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 768.

Senator Watson moved that HB 809 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 2 absent.

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

Senator Hancock assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 809.

Senator Deuell moved that HB 768 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 2 absent.

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

Senator Deuell resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1296 and recognized Senator Birdwell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Birdwell sent up Committee Amendment 1 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

Senator Birdwell requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the bill to create a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Birdwell then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 1296 do not pass but that CSHB 1296 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 2 absent.

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

Senator Deuell moved that HB 1297 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2034 and recognized Senator Watson, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson moved that HB 2034 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 2 absent.

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

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2256 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson moved that HB 2256 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 2 absent.

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

There being no further business, at 9:02 AM Senator Deuell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bob Deuell, Chair

Alex Karam, Clerk