

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Friday, May 17, 2013

9:00 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 Economic Development was held on Friday, May 17, 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 9:04 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 950 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Davis, 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 950 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Davis assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1966 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 HB 3436 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered. .

The chair laid out HB 3436 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 sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Deuell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Davis moved that HB 2061 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Hancock moved that HB 3436 do not pass but that CSHB 3436 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 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 3714 and recognized Senator Davis, 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 3714 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Hancock moved that HB 3714 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, 1 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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The chair laid out HB 1908 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 Deuell moved that HB 1908 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Hancock moved that HB 1908 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 2061 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Hancock to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Deuell moved committee substitute be left pending to await a quorum; 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 Deuell moved that HB 2061 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 9:25 AM Senator Deuell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Upon a motion made by Senator Deuell to suspend Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, the Senate Committee on Economic Development reconvened at 12:55 PM at Senator Deuell's desk to address the following pending business:

HB 950

HB 1966

HB 2061

Additionally, Senator Deuell suspended Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18 to add the following bills to the desk meeting:

HB 983

HB 3634

There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 983 and recognized Senator Watson, 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 983 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 3643 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 Watson moved that HB 3643 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.

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The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 950. Senator Davis moved that HB 950 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 3 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 as a matter of pending business HB 1966. Senator Watson moved that HB 1966 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 as a matter of pending business HB 2061 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

Senator Hancock moved that HB 2061 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.

There being no further business, at 1:00 PM 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