

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

Tuesday, April 9, 2013
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 Jurisprudence was held on Tuesday, April 9, 2013, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Royce West, Chair
Senator José Rodríguez, Vice Chair
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Sylvia Garcia
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Ken Paxton

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator John Carona

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:32 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Rodríguez moved adoption of the minutes from the previous hearings held on April 2, 2013 and April 3, 2013. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1759 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Uresti to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Rodríguez 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 Rodríguez moved that SB 1759 do not pass but that CSSB 1759 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 Rodríguez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1806 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill.

There were no persons registered to testify on this bill.

Senator Rodríguez moved that SB 1806 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 Rodríguez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 648 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Rodriguez 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 West moved that SB 648 be left pending. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 651 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Rodríguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Rodríguez 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 Rodríguez moved that SB 651 do not pass but that CSSB 651 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

The Chair laid out SB 1460 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, 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 Hancock moved that SB 1460 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 Hancock moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1080 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

Senator Campbell sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Lucio 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 West moved that SB 1080 be left pending. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:17 PM Senator Campbell assumed the Chair.

The Chair laid out SB 1419 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator West 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 West moved that SB 1419 do not pass but that CSSB 1419 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 3 absent.

At 3:22 PM Senator Paxton assumed the Chair.

The Chair laid out SB 915 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator West 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 West moved that SB 915 be left pending. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:45 PM Senator West resumed the Chair.

The Chair laid out SB 1583 and recognized the author, Senator Ellis, to explain the bill.

Senator Garcia sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Ellis 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 West moved that SB 1583 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:50 PM Senator Rodríguez assumed the Chair.

The Chair laid out SB 1193 and recognized Senator Paxton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Paxton sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Paxton 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 Rodríguez moved that SB 1193 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 4:50 PM Senator Rodríguez moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the Chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Royce West, Chair

Tiffany White, Clerk