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SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, February 12, 2013

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources was held on Tuesday, February 12, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Troy Fraser, Chair
Senator Craig Estes, Vice Chair
Senator Bob Deuell
Senator Robert Duncan
Senator Rodney Ellis
Senator Kevin Eltife
Senator Glenn Hegar
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Carlos Uresti

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Juan Hinojosa

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Fraser laid out the proposed Natural Resources committee rules for the 83rd Legislature and Senator Estes moved adoption of the Natural Resources committee rules. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 281 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, 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.

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Senator Estes moved that SB 281 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Estes moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Estes assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 168 and recognized the author, Senator Fraser, 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. Senator Fraser moved that SB 168 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Fraser moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 4 and recognized the author, Senator Fraser, to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. Senator Estes moved that SB 4 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Fraser resumed the chair.

The Chairman read Motions in Writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye submitted by the following: Senator Nichols on SB 168 and SB 281; Senator Seliger on SB 281. These votes are reflected in the final votes on the aforementioned bills.

There being no further business, at 10:50 AM Senator Fraser moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Troy Fraser, Chair

Tatum Reagan, Clerk