

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tuesday, March 31, 2015

11:30 AM or upon adjournment of the Senate
Senate Chamber

Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Kevin Eltife
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Joan Huffman
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Larry Taylor
Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair

The chair called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 9 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

The chair recognized Senator Hancock on the committee substitute that was sent up at the hearing on March 25. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hancock moved that SB 9 do not pass but that CSSB 9 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 5 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SJR 2 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

The chair recognized Senator Hancock on the committee substitute that was sent up at the hearing on March 25. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hancock moved that SJR 2 do not pass but that CSSJR 2 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 5 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator West asked to be shown voting nay on CSSB 9. Without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 2:08 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk