

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

8:00 AM

Senate Chamber

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Health & Human Services was held on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, in the Senate Chamber.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair  
Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Vice Chair  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Craig Estes  
Senator Charles Perry  
Senator José Rodríguez  
Senator Van Taylor  
Senator Carlos Uresti  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

At 8:02 AM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 200.

Senator Schwertner sent up Committee Amendment 29. Senator Schwertner moved to withdraw Committee Amendment 29; without objection, it was so ordered.

The bill was left pending.

At 8:03 AM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 359. Senator Zaffirini moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 359 do not pass but that CSSB 359 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 694.

Senator Taylor, Van, sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Taylor, Van, to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Taylor, Van, moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor, Van, moved that SB 694 do not pass but that CSSB 694 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

At 8:09 AM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1406 and recognized the author, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill.

Senator Schwertner moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 1406 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner sent up a new committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved that SB 1406 do not pass but that CSSB 1406 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Schwertner 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 SB 1385.

Senator Schwertner moved that SB 1385 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 354 and recognized Senator Schwertner, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

At 8:14 AM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1507 and recognized the author, Senator Garcia, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Garcia to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1018 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1753 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 542 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 914 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1324 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1018.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 914.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1507.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 354.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1753.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 542.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

At 9:58 AM Senator Taylor, Van, assumed the chair.

At 10:03 AM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

At 10:03 AM Senator Zaffirini moved that the Committee stand in recess, subject to the call of the chair.

Pursuant to a motion made on the Senate floor by Sen. Schwertner to suspend Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services reconvened at 12:49 PM at Senator Whitmire's desk in the Senate Chamber.

At 12:49 PM Senator Kolkhorst assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 200.

Senator Schwertner moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 200 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner sent up a new committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved that SB 200 do not pass but that CSSB 200 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 204.

Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved that SB 204 do not pass but that CSSB 204 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 206.

Senator Schwertner moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 206 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner sent up a new committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved that SB 206 do not pass but that CSSB 206 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 207.

Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved that SB 207 do not pass but that CSSB 207 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 212.

Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

There being no further business, at 1:06 PM Senator Kolkhorst moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair

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Meagan Kirby, Clerk