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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

8:00 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 Health & Human Services was held on Wednesday, April 15, 2015, in the Senate Chamber.

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

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

The chair laid out SB 1880 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

At 8:04 AM Senator Schwertner moved that the Committee stand at ease.

At 8:05 AM Senator Schwertner reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1128.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1128 be reported favorably 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 3 absent.

Senator Kolkhorst 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 1129.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1129 be reported favorably 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 3 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 CSSB 1243. Senator Perry moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Perry moved that SB 1243 do not pass but that CSSB 1243 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 CSSB 1279. Senator Campbell moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell moved that SB 1279 do not pass but that CSSB 1279 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 Campbell 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 1462.

Senator Kolkhorst moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 1462 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Campbell moved that SB 1462 do not pass but that CSSB 1462 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 3 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1475.

Senator Rodríguez moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 1475 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a new committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodríguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1496.

Senator Rodríguez moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 1496 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a new committee substitute and moved adoption; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez moved that SB 1496 do not pass but that CSSB 1496 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 3 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 1540. Senator Perry moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Perry moved that SB 1540 do not pass but that CSSB 1540 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 3 absent.

Senator Taylor, Van, 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 1560.

Senator Rodríguez moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 1560 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a new committee substitute. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez moved that SB 1560 do not pass but that CSSB 1560 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 3 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 as a matter of pending business CSSB 1574. Senator Rodríguez moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez moved that SB 1574 do not pass but that CSSB 1574 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 3 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 1699.

Senator Kolkhorst moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 1699 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 1699 be reported favorably 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 3 absent.

Senator Kolkhorst 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 CSSB 1881. Senator Rodríguez moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez moved that SB 1881 do not pass but that CSSB 1881 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 3 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 as a matter of pending business SB 1999.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a committee substitute; Senator Schwertner was recognized 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.

Senator Rodríguez moved that SB 1999 do not pass but that CSSB 1999 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 3 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 as a matter of pending business SB 723.

Senator Perry moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 723 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Perry moved that SB 723 do not pass but that CSSB 723 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1641 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator Rodríguez 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 Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1814 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Kolkhorst sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst 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.

Resource testimony was taken. See attached witness list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1583 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Van, to explain the bill.

Resource testimony was taken. See attached witness list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1794 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, to explain the bill.

Resource testimony was taken. See attached witness list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1641.

Witnesses 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 1583.

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 1880.

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 1814.

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 1794.

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

At 9:32 AM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

At 10:08 AM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

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

There being no further business, at 10:36 AM Senator Uresti 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

Meagan Kirby, Clerk