

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, April 29, 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 29, 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:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1582.

Senator Taylor, Van, moved to reconsider the vote by which the committee substitute for SB 1582 was taken; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Taylor, Van, moved to withdraw committee substitute to SB 1582 which was considered at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor, Van, sent up a new 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 1582 do not pass but that CSSB 1582 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 1583.

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 1583 do not pass but that CSSB 1583 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 CSSB 848.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 848 do not pass but that CSSB 848 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 542. The chair laid out HB 751, the House companion, in lieu of SB 542, and recognized the sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 751 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 339 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1813 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Resource testimony was taken. See attached witness list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 830 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.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 588 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1882 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.

The chair laid out SB 1269 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

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

Resource testimony was taken. See attached witness list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 577 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1718 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

Resource testimony was taken. See attached witness list.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 577. Discussion occurred on the bill by members of the Committee.

SB 577 and SB 1718 were left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1899 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

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

At 9:48 AM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1873 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

At 9:51 AM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

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

Resource testimony was taken. See attached witness list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1882.

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 1899.

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 830.

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 1873.

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 577 and SB 1718.

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

The bills were left pending.

At 10:43 AM Senator Schwertner moved that the Committee stand in recess, subject to the call of the chair.

At 5:02 PM Senator Schwertner reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 577 and SB 1718 and public testimony was resumed.

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

The chair closed public testimony on SB 577 and SB 1718. The bills were left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1813.

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 588.

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 339.

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 1269.

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.

There being no further business, at 7:35 PM Senator Schwertner 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