

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Education was held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Don Huffines
Senator Bryan Hughes
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Van Taylor
Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1398 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, 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.

The chair moved that SB 1398 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1566 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

Senator West sent up Committee Amendment 1. Senator West offered an amendment to Committee Amendment 1 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment as amended was adopted. Senator West requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendment as amended into the bill to create a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that SB 1566 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:01 AM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 5:12 PM Senator Larry Taylor reconvened the meeting.

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2080 and recognized the author, Senator Larry Taylor, 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.

The chair moved that SB 2080 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1318 and recognized the author, Senator Van Taylor 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.

The chair moved that SB 1318 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1658 and recognized the author, Senator Larry Taylor, to explain the bill.

Senator Larry Taylor sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Larry Taylor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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.

The chair moved that SB 1658 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1634 and recognized the author, Senator Larry Taylor, to explain the bill.

Senator Larry Taylor moved that SB 1634 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Seliger, Senator Van Taylor, and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on SB 1634.

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

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 160 and explained the bill.

Senator West moved adoption of the committee substitute sent up at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that SB 160 do not pass but that CSSB 160 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Seliger, Senator Van Taylor, and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on SB 160.

Senator West 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 489 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 489 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Seliger and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on SB 489.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 671 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

Senator Campbell moved that SB 671 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Seliger and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on SB 671.

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

There being no further business, at 6:02 PM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair

Daniel Warner, Clerk