

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Thursday, April 6, 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 Thursday, April 6, 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 9:07 AM.

The chair laid out SB 640 and recognized the author, Senator Van Taylor, to explain the bill.

At 9:14 AM a quorum was established.

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

At 9:59 AM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:38 PM Senator Larry Taylor reconvened the meeting.

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

The chair moved that SB 640 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 276 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

Senator Uresti moved to withdraw the committee substitute sent up at a previous hearing.

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

Senator Uresti moved that SB 276 do not pass but that CSSB 276 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 Hughes, Senator Seliger, and Senator West submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on CSSB 276.

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

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1483 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 1483 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2131 and recognized Senator Larry Taylor, in the absence of the author, 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 2131 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1837 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, 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 1837 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1153 and recognized Senator Lucio, Jr., in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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

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 CSSB 1153 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1882 and recognized Senator Bettencourt, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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

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 CSSB 1882 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1784 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 1784 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 4:06 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