

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Thursday, February 9, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Thursday, February 9, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Joan Huffman
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Larry Taylor
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Carlos Uresti

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. The following business was transacted:

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1.

Testimony was heard on SB 1 – Article IV and Article VI. Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Office of State Prosecuting Attorney

Office of Court Administration

Texas Indigent Defense Commission

State Law Library

Comptroller's Department, Judiciary Section

Office of Capital and Forensic Writs

Special Provisions Relating to the Judiciary

General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board

Texas Department of Agriculture

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Animal Health Commission

Railroad Commission

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

Commission on Environmental Quality

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Soil and Water Conservation Board

Water Development Board

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Public Testimony was heard.

Senator Nelson closed public testimony.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 5:16 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk