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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Craig Estes, Chair
Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair
Senator Konni Burton
Senator Sylvia Garcia
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Don Huffines
Senator Borris Miles
Senator José Rodríguez
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Van Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM. There being a quorum present at 9:04 AM, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Judith Zaffirini, Senator Kelly Hancock, Senator Don Huffines, Senator Borris Miles, Senator Kel Seliger, and Senator Van Taylor.

The chair laid out HB 88 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Juan Hinojosa, to explain the bill.

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No witnesses testified or registered on the bill.

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

Senator Estes moved that HB 88 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1406 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Juan Hinojosa, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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.

Senator Estes moved that HB 1406 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1625 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Juan Hinojosa, to explain the bill. Senator Hinojosa sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hinojosa to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

Witnesses 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.

Senator Estes moved that HB 1625 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2582 and recognized Senator Juan Hinojosa, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

No witnesses testified or registered on the bill.

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

Senator Estes moved that HB 2582 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2580 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

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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.

Senator Estes moved that HB 2580 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. Senators Zaffirini, Hancock, Miles, and Seliger submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 2580; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Estes resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 88. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 88 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. Senators Zaffirini, Hancock, Miles, and Seliger submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 88; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa 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 HB 1406. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1406 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. Senators Zaffirini, Hancock, Miles, and Seliger submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 1406; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa 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 HB 1625 and the committee substitute, which had been sent up earlier in the hearing.

Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1625 do not pass but that CSHB 1625 be reported

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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. Senators Zaffirini, Hancock, Miles, and Seliger submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on CSHB 1625; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa 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 HB 2582. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 2582 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. Senators Zaffirini, Hancock, Miles, and Seliger submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 2582; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

The chair laid out HB 1896 in lieu of SB 2146, which had been heard and left pending at the April 18, 2017 hearing.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 1896 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. Senators Zaffirini, Hancock, Miles, and Seliger submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 1896; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Estes 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 9:30 AM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Craig Estes, Chair

Paige McGhee, Clerk