

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

8:00 AM

Senate Chamber

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 19, 2017, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair
Senator Carlos Uresti, Vice Chair
Senator Dawn Buckingham
Senator Konni Burton
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Borris Miles
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Van Taylor
Senator Kirk Watson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:04 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Borris Miles
Senator Dawn Buckingham
Senator Kirk Watson

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1602.

Senator Kolkhorst moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 1602; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 1602 do not pass but that CSSB 1602 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1602. Senator Miles and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting nay on CSSB 1602.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 919.

Senator Uresti moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 919; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 919 do not pass but that CSSB 919 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham, Senator Miles and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 919.

Senator Uresti 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 1633.

Senator Perry moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 1633, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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.

Senator Perry moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 1633; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Perry moved that SB 1633 do not pass but that CSSB 1633 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Miles and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1633.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 738.

Senator Kolkhorst sent up Committee Amendment 1. Senator Schwertner moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

Senator Kolkhorst requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the bill to create a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Kolkhorst then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 738 do not pass but that CSSB 738 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham, Senator Miles, and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 738.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1927.

Senator Kolkhorst moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 1927, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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.

Senator Kolkhorst moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 1927; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 1927 do not pass but that CSSB 1927 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham, Senator Miles, and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1927.

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 1912.

Senator Uresti moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 1912, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti sent up a committee substitute.

Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 1912; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 1912 do not pass but that CSSB 1912 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham, Senator Miles, and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1912.

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 1758.

Senator Uresti moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 1758, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Uresti moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 1758; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 1758 do not pass but that CSSB 1758 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham, Senator Miles, and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1758.

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 1599.

Senator Uresti moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 1599, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Uresti moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 1599; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Miles moved that SB 1599 do not pass but that CSSB 1599 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1599.

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 1021 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1693 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

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

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 1693. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1680 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

Senator Uresti sent up a committee substitute.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1682 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 1682. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1680 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill and substitute.

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 1680. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 213.

Senator Uresti moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 213, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Uresti sent up Committee Amendment 1 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

Senator Uresti requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Uresti then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Uresti moved that SB 213 do not pass but that CSSB 213 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Kolkhorst and Senator Watson submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 213.

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 1881 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill.

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

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 1881. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 850 and recognized the author, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill.

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

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 850. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

At 9:14 AM Senator Perry assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 4 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill.

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on HB 4. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

At 10:03 AM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 833.

Senator Perry moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 833, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

At 10:05 AM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

At 10:12 AM Senator Schwertner assumed the chair.

Senator Perry moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 833; without objection, it was so ordered.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 780 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on SB 780. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1417 and recognized the author, Senator Van Taylor to explain the bill.

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

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 1417. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

At 10:46 AM Senator Schwertner moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Upon suspension of Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, the Committee reconvened in E1.036 at 2:31 PM.

The chair laid out SB 892 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 chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 892. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

At 3:05 PM Senator Van Taylor assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 5 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill.

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on HB 5. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

At 3:15 PM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 382 and recognized the author, Senator Burton, to explain the bill.

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

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on CSSB 382. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1705 and recognized the author, Senator Van Taylor to explain the bill.

The chair called invited individuals to provide testimony on SB 1705. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 687.

Senator Uresti moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 687; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 687 do not pass but that CSSB 687 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Miles submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 687.

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 602 and recognized the author.

Senator Kolkhorst sent up Committee Amendment 3 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

Senator Kolkhorst requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Kolkhorst then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Van Taylor moved that SB 602 do not pass but that CSSB 602 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Miles submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 602.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 999.

Senator Uresti moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 999; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 999 do not pass but that CSSB 999 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Miles submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 999.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1929.

Senator Kolkhorst moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 1929, which was discussed at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered.

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.

Senator Kolkhorst moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 1929; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 1929 do not pass but that CSSB 1929 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Miles submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1929.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 397.

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.

Senator Kolkhorst moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 397; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 397 do not pass but that CSSB 397 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Miles submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSSB 397.

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 1075 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

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

At 4:01 PM Senator Uresti resumed the chair.

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 bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 382 and opened the floor for public testimony.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 1417, SB 780, CSSB 850, HB 5, CSSB 1881, CSSB 1680, and CSSB 1021 and opened the floor for public testimony. There being no one wishing to testify, the chair moved to close public testimony; without objection, it was so ordered.

The bills were left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1682 and opened the floor for public testimony.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1705. There being no one wishing to testify, the chair moved to close public testimony; without objection, it was so ordered.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 1693 and opened the floor for public testimony.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4 and opened the floor for public testimony.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 892 and opened the floor for public testimony.

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

At 5:00 PM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

At 5:53 PM Senator Uresti resumed the chair.

The bill was left pending.

There being no further business, at 6:24 PM Senator Van Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair

Luisa Venegoni, Clerk