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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Monday, May 15, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

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 Monday, May 15, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

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 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Borris Miles
Senator Konni Burton
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Van Taylor

The chair laid out HB 492 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

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The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 492. 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 HB 785 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 785. 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 HB 2848 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 house bill as engrossed.

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 HB 3934 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 3934. 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 HB 1787 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodríguez, 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 bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1407.

Senator Buckingham sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Seliger to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

Senator Buckingham moved adoption of the committee substitute for HB 1407; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Buckingham moved that HB 1407 do not pass but that CSHB 1407 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion failed with a record vote of 4 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out HB 1543 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 1543. 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 HB 1629 and recognized Senator Watson, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Watson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

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 HB 280 and recognized Senator Watson, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 280. 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.

Senator Schwertner moved to reconsider the vote on HB 1407. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Watson moved that HB 1407 do not pass but that CSHB 1407 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Miles submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1407.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 871.

Senator Perry moved that HB 871 be reported favorably 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 Miles submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 871.

Senator Perry 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 1076.

Senator Perry moved that HB 1076 be reported favorably 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 Miles submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1076.

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 HB 1978.

Senator Perry moved that HB 1978 be reported favorably 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 Miles submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1978.

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 HB 2062.

Senator Watson moved adoption of the committee substitute for HB 2062; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Perry moved that HB 2062 do not pass but that CSHB 2062 be reported 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, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham and Senator Miles submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSHB 2062.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2124.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2124 be reported favorably 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 Miles submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 2124.

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 95.

Senator Watson moved that SB 95 be reported favorably 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 Buckingham and Senator Miles submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on SB 95.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2950.

Senator Van Taylor sent up a committee amendment; Senator Van Taylor withdrew a committee amendment.

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Senator Uresti sent up a committee amendment; Senator Uresti withdrew a committee amendment.

Senator Uresti moved adoption of the committee substitute for HB 2950; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that HB 2950 do not pass but that CSHB 2950 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 Miles submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 2950.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2561.

Senator Van Taylor sent up a committee amendment; Senator Van Taylor withdrew a committee amendment.

Senator Van Taylor sent up a committee amendment; Senator Van Taylor withdrew a committee amendment.

Senator Burton sent up a committee amendment; Senator Burton withdrew a committee amendment.

Senator Watson sent up a committee amendment; Senator Watson withdrew a committee amendment.

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

Senator Van Taylor moved adoption of the committee substitute. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Perry moved that HB 2561 do not pass but that CSHB 2561 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 4 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Buckingham submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting nay on CSHB 2561.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1600 in lieu of SB 817.

Senator Watson 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 Watson moved adoption of the committee substitute for HB 1600; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Watson moved that HB 1600 do not pass but that CSHB 1600 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 submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSHB 1600.

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 HB 3859 in lieu of SB 892 and recognized Senator Burton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 3859 be reported favorably 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 Perry submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSHB 3859.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2425 in lieu of SB 1417 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van Taylor, to explain the bill.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 2425 do not pass but that CSHB 2425 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Perry submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSHB 2425.

At 9:56 AM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3954.

Senator Schwertner moved that HB 3954 be reported favorably 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, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Perry submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 3954.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3442 in lieu of SB 2289.

Senator Schwertner moved that HB 3442 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present not voting. Senator Buckingham and Senator Perry submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 3442.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 13.

Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute for HB 13; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved that HB 13 do not pass but that CSHB 13 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 Perry submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSHB 13.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1486.

Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute for HB 1486; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved that HB 1486 do not pass but that CSHB 1486 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 Perry, and Senator Van Taylor submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on CSHB 1486.

At 10:05 AM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1608 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

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

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 HB 970 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 970. 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 HB 1642 and recognized Senator Uresti, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 1642. 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 HB 3338 and recognized Senator Uresti, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 bill was left pending.

The chair laid out HB 284 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Buckingham, 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 bill was left pending.

The chair laid out HB 249 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 house bill as engrossed.

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 HB 2466 and recognized Senator Van Taylor, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 bill was left pending.

At 10:56 AM Senator Uresti resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1160 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill.

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

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 HB 1917 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, 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 bill was left pending.

The chair laid out HB 3078 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill.

The chair opened the floor for public testimony on HB 3078. 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 HB 2025 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill.

Senator Burton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

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.

At 12:17 PM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 12:18 PM Senator Schwertner 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