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### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

Friday, May 12, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Transportation was held on Friday, May 12, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Robert Nichols, Chair  
Senator Bob Hall, Vice Chair  
Senator Brandon Creighton  
Senator Sylvia Garcia  
Senator Kelly Hancock  
Senator Lois Kolkhorst

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Juan Hinojosa  
Senator Charles Perry  
Senator José Rodríguez

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 1249 and recognized Senator Garcia, 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. Senator Nichols moved that HB 1249 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2700 and recognized Senator Garcia, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Garcia sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Garcia 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. Senator Nichols moved that HB 2700 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out HB 3283 and recognized Senator Garcia, 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 roll was called, and a quorum was established.

Senator Garcia moved that HB 3283 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 4 absent. Senator Garcia moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 938 and recognized Senator Hancock, 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. Senator Hancock moved that HB 938 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 4 absent. Senator Hancock moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1959 and recognized Senator Hancock, 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. Senator Nichols moved that HB 1959 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1303 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill. The chair opened public testimony. There being no public testimony, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1303 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent. Senator Kolkhorst moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3376 and recognized Senator Hall, 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. Senator Nichols moved that HB 3376 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3654 and recognized Senator Hall, 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. Senator Nichols moved that HB 3654 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3917 and recognized Senator Hall, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 3917 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent. Senator Hall moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hall assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 3050 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nichols, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 3050 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3254 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nichols, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 3254 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2700, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Hall moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up at earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hall moved that HB 2700 do not pass but that CSHB 2700 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent. Senator Hall moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out HB 1249, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Garcia moved that HB 1249 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent. Senator Garcia 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 9:56 AM Senator Nichols moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Robert Nichols, Chair

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Amy Jeter, Clerk