

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

8:00 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 Business & Commerce was held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair

Senator Robert Nichols, Vice Chair

Senator Donna Campbell

Senator Brandon Creighton

Senator José Menéndez

Senator Angela Paxton

Senator Charles Schwertner

Senator John Whitmire

Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1349 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

At 8:04 AM, the roll was called.

The chair laid out SB 799 and recognized the author, Senator Alvarado, 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 594 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1344 and recognized the author, Senator Alvarado, 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 42 by Zaffirini. Senator Zaffirini sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Zaffirini moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 42 do not pass but the committee substitute to SB 41 do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business 943 by Watson. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 943 do not pass but the committee substitute to SB 943 do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business 944 by Watson. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 944 do not pass but the committee substitute to SB 944 do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1394 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1210 to reconsider the vote. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moves that SB 1210 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1210 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business by SB 1264 by Hancock. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that he SB 1264 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1264 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business by SB 1450 by Hancock. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that he SB 1450 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1450 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business by SB 1530 by Hancock. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that he SB 1530 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1530 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business by SB 1532 by Hancock. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that he SB 1532 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1532 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business by SB 787 by Hancock. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that he SB 787 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 787 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1036 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 2305 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 986 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the author, 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.

The chair laid out SB 37 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Zaffirini sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 494 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 2330 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 2410 and recognized the author, Senator Menendez, 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1859 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1969 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1970 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1972 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 442 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1414 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

Senator Hancock resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1266 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2116 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1938 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1941 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 2232 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1034 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. 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 chair moved that the bill be left pending.

Senator Hancock resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 6:55 PM Senator Hancock moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

A Motion in Writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye was submitted by the following: Senator Creighton on SB 42, SB 943, SB 944, and SB 1210. These votes are reflected in the final vote on the aforementioned bills.

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair

Kennedy Calvo, Clerk