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SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Monday, April 8, 2019

9:30 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations was held on Monday, April 8, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair
Senator Charles Schwertner, Vice Chair
Senator Carol Alvarado
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Pat Fallon
Senator José Menéndez
Senator Robert Nichols

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. There being a quorum present at 9:32 AM, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Charles Schwertner, Senator Donna Campbell, Senator Pat Fallon, and Senator José Menéndez.

The Chair laid out SB 542 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill. Senator Schwertner 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 Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 542 be opened. 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 Alvarado moved that SB 542 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof be reported back to the Senate with the

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recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting nay.

The Chair laid out SB 544 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Watson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 544 be opened. 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 Campbell moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Menéndez moved that SB 544 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Menéndez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1000 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1000 be opened. 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 Menéndez moved that SB 1000 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye.

At 10:36 AM Senator Schwertner assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1474 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill. The Chair moved to withdraw the committee substitute previously adopted on April 1, 2019; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair recognized Senator Lucio to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Lucio sent up a committee substitute and moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1474 be opened. 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 Lucio moved that SB 1474 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The

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motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Alvarado submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Lucio moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:12 AM Senator Lucio resumed the chair.

The Chair laid out SB 253 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 253 be opened. 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 SB 253 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting nay.

The Chair laid out SB 1950 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1950 be opened. 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 Schwertner moved that SB 1950 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, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Menéndez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 2315 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 2315 be opened. 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 Campbell moved that SB 2315 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, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 335 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 335 be opened. Witnesses registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without

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objection, it was so ordered. Senator Alvarado moved that SB 335 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, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Campbell submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Alvarado moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1129 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1129 be opened. 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 SB 1129 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1132 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1132 be opened. 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 SB 1132 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 2212 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 2212 be opened. 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 SB 2212 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, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out SB 1196 and recognized the author, Senator Miles, to explain the bill. Senator Menéndez sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Miles to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1196 be opened. 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 Alvarado moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1196 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Menéndez moved that the bill be

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recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 2022 and recognized the author, Senator Miles, to explain the bill. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Miles to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 2022 be opened. 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 Alvarado moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Alvarado moved that SB 2022 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Menéndez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:15 AM Senator Schwertner assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out SB 2194 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 2194 be opened. 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 Alvarado moved that SB 2194 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, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Alvarado moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:20 AM Senator Lucio resumed the chair.

The Chair laid out SB 2506 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 2506 be opened. 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 Schwertner moved that SB 2506 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, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting

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

At 11:30 AM Senator Schwertner assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out SB 1115 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill. Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The Chair moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair recognized Senator Lucio, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1115 be opened. 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 SB 1115 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1117 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute and moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair recognized Senator Lucio to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1117 be opened. 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 SB 1117 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:51 AM Senator Lucio resumed the chair.

The Chair laid out SB 2448 and recognized Senator Fallon, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Fallon sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Fallon to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 2448 be opened. 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 Fallon moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Fallon moved that SB 2448 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon 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 SB 1918 and recognized the author, Senator Alvarado, to explain the bill. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute and moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair recognized Senator Alvarado to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1918 be opened. 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 SB 1918 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 746 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 746 be opened. 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 Campbell moved that SB 746 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, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Schwertner submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Menéndez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 493 and recognized the author, Senator Alvarado, to explain the bill. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Alvarado to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 493 be opened. 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 Alvarado moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Alvarado moved that SB 493 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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 1 absent. Senator Alvarado moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1861 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1861 be opened. 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 Menéndez moved that SB 1861 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a

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record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Nichols submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye.

There being no further business, at 12:56 PM the Chair moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair

Favianna Moreno, Clerk