

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

9:00 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 Education was held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Pat Fallon
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Bryan Hughes
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Beverly Powell
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator Royce West

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 895 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate 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.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 895 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 54 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate 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.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 54 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 213 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Seliger to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate 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.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 213 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 435 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 435 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:52 AM Senator Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 12:52 PM Senator Taylor reconvened the meeting.

As matter of pending business the chair laid out SB 435. The chair opened public testimony.

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 Taylor moved that SB 435 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1230 and SB 1231 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bills.

Senator Bettencourt sent up a committee substitute for SB 1230. The chair recognized Senator Bettencourt to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 1230 and SB 1231 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 933 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

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

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

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

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 933 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 244.

Senator Hughes moved that SB 244 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, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 477.

Senator Hughes moved that SB 477 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 811.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the proposed CSSB 811 sent up at the March 5th 2019 hearing be withdrawn. There being no objection it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hughes to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Hughes moved adoption of the new committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hughes moved that SB 811 do not pass but that CSSB 811 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, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 316 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill.

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

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

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

Senator Hughes requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendment into the committee substitute to create a new committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 316 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 372 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, 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 Taylor moved that SB 372 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 458 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the author, 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 Taylor moved that SB 458 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1256 and SB 1476 recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bills.

Senator Bettencourt sent up a committee substitute for SB 1256. The chair recognized Senator Bettencourt to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 1256 and SB 1476 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 364 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, 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 Taylor moved that SB 364 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair moved to reopen public testimony on SB 933.

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 laid out SB 522 and recognized Senator West, in the absence of the author, 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 Taylor moved that SB 522 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:29 PM Senator Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair

Mark Williams, Clerk