

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Tuesday, February 12, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Peter Flores
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Joan Huffman
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Larry Taylor
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

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

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1.

Testimony was heard on SB 1 – Article III. Witnesses registering and testifying are shown on the attached list.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
Available University Fund
Higher Education Fund
National Research University Fund
Permanent Fund Supporting Military and Veterans Exemptions
General Academic Institutions, Lamar State Colleges, Texas State Technical Colleges

At 10:49 AM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:19 PM the Committee reconvened.

Health Related Institutions
Texas Woman's University
Midwestern State University
Texas Southern University
Stephen F. Austin State University
Texas A&M University System Administration
Texas A&M System Agencies
 Texas A&M Agrilife Research
 Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service
 Texas A&M Forest Service
 Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Lab
 Texas A&M Transportation Institute
 Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service
 Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station
Texas A&M System Universities
 Texas A&M University
 Texas A&M University – Galveston

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

Prairie View A&M University

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Tarleton State University
Texas A&M University – Central Texas

Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University – Kingsville
Texas A&M University – San Antonio
Texas A&M International University
Texas A&M University – Commerce
West Texas A&M University
Texas A&M University - Texarkana
Texas A&M University System Health Science Center
Texas State University System
Lamar University
Sam Houston State University
Sul Ross State University and Sul Ross State University Rio Grande College
Texas State University
Lamar University Orange
Lamar Institute of Technology
Lamar University Port Arthur
University of North Texas System Administration
University of North Texas
University of North Texas at Dallas
University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth

Public testimony was heard.

The Chair closed public testimony.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nelson announced that Article IX posted for Thursday, February 14, 2019 would be moved to Wednesday, February 13, 2019, and the Committee would not meet on Thursday.

There being no further business, at 6:42 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk