

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

Thursday, February 28, 2019

9:00 AM

Senate Chamber

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on State Affairs was held on Thursday, February 28, 2019, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair
Senator Bryan Hughes, Vice Chair
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Pat Fallon
Senator Jane Nelson
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Bob Hall
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Hughes moved adoption of the committee rules. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 15 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, to explain the bill.

Senator Creighton sent up a committee substitute.

The chair recognized Senator Creighton to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Creighton then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered.

Public testimony was taken on the committee substitute.

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 Creighton moved that SB 15 do not pass but that CSSB 15 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out SB 71 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill. Senator Nelson sent up a committee substitute.

The chair recognized Senator Nelson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Nelson then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered.

Public testimony was taken on the committee substitute.

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 Huffman moved that SB 71 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 73 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Nelson requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the bill to create a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nelson then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered.

Public testimony was taken on the committee substitute.

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 Huffman moved that CSSB 73 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 489 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute.

The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini 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.

Senator Zaffirini requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the bill to create a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered.

Public testimony was heard on CSSB 489.

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 Huffman moved that CSSB 489 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 40 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Public testimony was heard on SB 40.

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 Huffman moved that SB 40 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 467 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute.

The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Public testimony was heard on CSSB 467.

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 Huffman moved that CSSB 467 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 201 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Public testimony was heard on SB 201.

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 Zaffirini moved that SB 201 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 341 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Public testimony was heard on SB 341.

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 Zaffirini moved that SB 341 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 415 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Public testimony was heard on SB 415.

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 Zaffirini moved that SB 415 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 416 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Public testimony was heard on SB 416.

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 Zaffirini moved that SB 416 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 12:18 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

Katherine Engelauf, Clerk