

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS**

Thursday, May 9, 2019

9:00 AM

Senate Chamber

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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, May 9, 2019, in the Senate Chamber.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair  
Senator Bryan Hughes, Vice Chair  
Senator Brian Birdwell  
Senator Brandon Creighton  
Senator Pat Fallon  
Senator Bob Hall  
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.  
Senator Jane Nelson  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:14 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 872 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Flores, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Flores to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

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 HB 872 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1168 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator West, 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 Huffman moved that HB 1168 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hughes assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2789 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, 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 Hughes moved that HB 2789 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 553 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodríguez, 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.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 553 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 504 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Miles, 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.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 504 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hughes assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2384 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

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 Hughes moved that HB 2384 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1176 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Menéndez, 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.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 1176 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 273 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, 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.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 273 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 883 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, 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.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 883 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 933 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, 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.

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

The chair laid out HB 685 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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 Huffman moved that HB 685 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1874 and recognized the author, Senator Fallon, 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.

Senator Huffman moved that SB 1874 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:46 AM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Pursuant to a motion made by Senator Huffman on the Senate floor to suspend Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, the Senate Committee on State Affairs reconvened at 1:52 PM in Room E1.016.

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1028 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

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 Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 1028 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 98 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, 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.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 98 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 88 and recognized Senator Huffman, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, Senator Fallon, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

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, Jr. moved that HB 88 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2164 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 house bill as engrossed.

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 Huffman moved that HB 2164 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2365 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman moved that SB 2365 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 121.

Senator Hall moved that HB 121 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hall 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 CSHB 88.

Senator Fallon moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Fallon moved that HB 88 do not pass but that CSHB 88 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 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.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 273.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 273 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 HB 504.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 504 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, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 553.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 553 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 HB 685.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 685 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hughes 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 CSHB 872.

Senator Birdwell moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Birdwell moved that HB 872 do not pass but that CSHB 872 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Birdwell 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 HB 883.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 883 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 HB 933.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 933 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 HB 1168.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 1168 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, 2 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hughes moved to reconsider the vote on HB 1168. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair brought back up HB 1168 on reconsideration of the vote.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 1168 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 3 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.



The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1176.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 1176 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSHB 2164.

Senator Hughes moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 2164 do not pass but that CSHB 2164 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1874.

Senator Fallon moved that SB 1874 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 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.

Senator Hughes assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 98.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 98 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it 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 CSHB 1028.

Senator Huffman moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 1028 do not pass but that CSHB 1028 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman 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 HB 2789.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 2789 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 2365.

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

Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

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

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 Zaffirini moved that SB 2365 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 2:40 PM Senator Zaffirini moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

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Katherine Engelauf, Clerk