

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

Thursday, May 16, 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, May 16, 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 Bob Hall
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.
Senator Jane Nelson
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 1901 and recognized Senator Fallon, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, Senator Taylor, 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 1901 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3233 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Fallon, 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 3233 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 368 and recognized Senator Fallon, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, Senator Hall, 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 368 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1211 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst 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 1211 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSHB 3809 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes moved to withdraw the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Huffman moved that HB 3809 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2504 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 Hughes moved that HB 2504 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hughes assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2629 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 Hughes moved that HB 2629 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4345 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 4345 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 4130 and recognized Senator Hughes, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, Senator Creighton, 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 4130 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3100 and recognized Senator Hughes, in the absence of 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 3100 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 914 and recognized Senator Hughes, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman 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 914 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that the committee stand at ease until 10:20 AM; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:20 AM Senator Huffman reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSHB 914.

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

Senator Hughes moved that HB 914 do not pass but that CSHB 914 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 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 HB 3706.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 3706 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.

Senator Hughes assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 292.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 292 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 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 2384.

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

Senator Huffman moved that HB 2384 do not pass but that CSHB 2384 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.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSHB 3809.

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

Senator Huffman moved that HB 3809 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1901.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 1901 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 HB 2504.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 2504 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 2 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 HB 3100.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 3100 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 HB 3233.

Senator Fallon moved that HB 3233 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.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4130.

Senator Creighton moved that HB 4130 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 Creighton 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 2629.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 2629 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 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 4345.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 4345 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 moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSHB 3809.

The chair recognized Senator Watson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 3809 do not pass but that CSHB 3809 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 Zaffirini moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 10:45 AM 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