

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER & RURAL AFFAIRS

Friday, May 10, 2019

10:00 AM or upon adjournment/recess

Senate Chamber-Back Rail

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Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Water & Rural Affairs was held on Friday, May 10, 2019, in the Senate Chamber-Back Rail.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Charles Perry, Chair  
Senator Brandon Creighton, Vice Chair  
Senator Carol Alvarado  
Senator Nathan Johnson  
Senator Lois Kolkhorst  
Senator José Rodríguez

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Larry Taylor

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The chair called the meeting to order at 11:16 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Brandon Creighton

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 978. Senator Kolkhorst moved that SB 978 do not pass but that CSSB 978 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Johnson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on CSSB 978; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 191. Senator Johnson moved that HB 191 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting nay on HB 191; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSHB 489. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 489 do not pass but that CSHB 489 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Kolkhorst moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on CSHB 489; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1537. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1537 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Kolkhorst moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 1537; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1574. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1574 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Kolkhorst moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 1574; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1824. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1824 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Kolkhorst moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 1824; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2202. Senator Johnson moved that HB 2202 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Johnson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 2202; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2305. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2305 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Kolkhorst 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 2340. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2340 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Kolkhorst 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 2729. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2729 do not pass but that CSHB 2729 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Kolkhorst 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 2846. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2846 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2914. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2914 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Johnson 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 3366. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 3366 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Johnson 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 4690. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 4690 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Johnson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:25 PM Senator Kolkhorst assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 137. Senator Johnson moved that HB 137 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Johnson 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 721. Senator Johnson moved that HB 721 do not pass but that CSHB 721 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

At 11:27 AM Senator Perry resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 11:27 AM Senator Perry moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Charles Perry, Chair

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Leah Curren, Clerk