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SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 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 Business & Commerce was held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair Senator Robert Nichols, Vice Chair Senator Donna Campbell Senator Brandon Creighton Senator Nathan Johnson Senator José Menéndez Senator Angela Paxton Senator Charles Schwertner Senator John Whitmire

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 196 by Senator Zaffirini and recognized the author to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute to SB 196. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that SB 196 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 424 by Senator Hinojosa and recognized the author to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute to SB 424. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that SB 424 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 566 by Senator Buckingham and recognized the author 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. The chair moved that SB 566 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 701 by Senator Buckingham and recognized the author to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute to SB 701. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that SB 701 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 760 by Senator Springer and recognized the author 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. The chair moved that SB 760 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 860 by Senator Johnson and recognized the author to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute to SB 860. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that SB 860 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 298 by Senator Hancock and recognized the author 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. The chair moved that SB 298 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 415 by Senator Hancock and recognized the author 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. The chair moved that SB 415 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 872 by Senator Hancock and recognized the author 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. The chair moved that SB 872 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 873 by Senator Hancock and recognized the author 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. The chair moved that SB 873 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 876 by Senator Hancock and recognized the author to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that SB 876 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 911 by Senator Hancock and recognized the author to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. 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. The chair moved that SB 911 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 12:08 PM Senator Nichols moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair

Kennedy Calvo, Clerk