

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Wednesday, April 7, 2021
1:00 PM or upon adjournment
Press Room

Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Business & Commerce was held on Wednesday, April 7, 2021, in the Press Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 347, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Paxton. Senator Paxton moved that SB 347 be reported back to the full 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 SB 707, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Paxton. Senator Paxton moved that SB 707 be reported back to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and

0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that SB 707 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 859, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Johnson. Senator Johnson moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Johnson moved that SB 859 do not pass but the committee substitute to SB 859 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Johnson moved that CSSB 859 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 861, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Paxton. Senator Paxton moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Paxton moved that SB 861 do not pass but the committee substitute to SB 861 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1132, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Johnson. Senator Johnson moved that SB 1132 be reported back to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Johnson moved that SB 1132 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1145, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Perry. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1145 be reported back to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 2 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1448, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Taylor. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1448 do not pass but the committee substitute to SB 1448 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that CSSB 1448 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1900, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Zaffirini. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1900 be reported back to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not

voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1900 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2016, as a matter of pending business by Senator Johnson. Senator Johnson moved that SB 2016 be reported back to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Johnson moved that SB 2016 be recommended of the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2038, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Menendez. Senator Menendez moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Menendez moved that SB 2038 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Menendez moved that SB 2038 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2062, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Menendez. Senator Menendez moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Menendez moved that SB 2062 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Menendez moved that SB 2062 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that SB 2 do not pass but the committee substitute to SB 2 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1281, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1282, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference in the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute. Without objection, it was so ordered. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 2 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1954, as a matter of pending business, by Senator Zaffirini. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1954 be reported back to the full senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1954 be recommended for the Local & Uncontested Calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hancock resumed the chair.

There being on business to come before the committee, the chair moved that the committee stand in recess subject to the call of the chair.

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair

Kennedy Calvo, Clerk