

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

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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 Finance was held on Wednesday, March 3, 2021, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair  
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Vice Chair  
Senator Paul Bettencourt  
Senator Dawn Buckingham  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Brandon Creighton  
Senator Kelly Hancock  
Senator Joan Huffman  
Senator Lois Kolkhorst  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Charles Perry  
Senator Charles Schwertner  
Senator Larry Taylor  
Senator Royce West  
Senator John Whitmire

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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

The chair made opening remarks.

Senator Nelson laid out SB 1. Testimony was heard on SB 1 – Article V. Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Department of Public Safety  
Department of Criminal Justice

Senator Whitmire assumed the chair.

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Board of Pardons and Paroles  
Juvenile Justice Department  
Commission on Jail Standards  
Military Department  
Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission

Senator Lucio assumed the chair.

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Texas Commission on Fire Protection  
Commission on Law Enforcement

Public testimony was heard.

The chair closed testimony on Article V.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 2:06 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed until Monday, March 8, 2021. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

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Stephanie Hoover, Clerk