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SENATE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Monday, April 12, 2021

12:30 PM

Ext. Auditorium

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Local Government was held on Monday, April 12, 2021, in the Ext. Auditorium.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair

Senator José Menéndez, Vice Chair

Senator Sarah Eckhardt

Senator Roland Gutierrez

Senator Bob Hall

Senator Robert Nichols

Senator Angela Paxton

Senator Drew Springer

Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:44 PM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 59 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 59 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1949 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

No witnesses registered or testified on the bill.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1949 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 2185 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 2185 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1315 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1315 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 326 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 326 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1165 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1165 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1733 and recognized the author, Senator Hall, to explain the bill.

Senator Hall sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hall to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1733 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 334.

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

Senator Nichols moved SB 334 do not pass but CSSB 334 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

At 1:41 PM Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 10.

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

Senator Hall moved SB 10 do not pass but CSSB 10 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 4 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

At 1:42 PM Senator Bettencourt resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1168.

Senator Menéndez moved SB 1168 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation 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 Menéndez moved 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 SB 1764.

Senator Menéndez moved SB 1764 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation 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 Menéndez moved 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 SB 2188.

Senator Menéndez moved SB 2188 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation 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 Menéndez moved 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 SB 1679.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Gutierrez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator

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Menéndez moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Menéndez moved SB 1679 do not pass but CSSB 1679 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation 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 Bettencourt moved the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1557 and recognized the author, Senator Hall, to explain the bill. Senator Hall sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hall to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1557 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:53 PM Senator Bettencourt moved the Committee stand recessed until 30 minutes after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 6:10 PM Senator Bettencourt reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out SB 804 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Menéndez moved SB 804 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 987 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill. Senator Springer sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Buckingham to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Menéndez moved SB 987 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1987 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill. No witness registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1987 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1357 and recognized Senator Buckingham, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Hall sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Buckingham to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1357 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1499 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

Senator Hall sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Buckingham to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1499 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:36 PM Senator Menéndez assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1992 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Menéndez moved SB 1992 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:00 PM Senator Bettencourt resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1088 and recognized Senator Springer, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 1088 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:06 PM Senator Hall assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2180 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

No witnesses registered or testified on the bill.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hall moved SB 2180 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1427 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

No witnesses registered or testified on the bill.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hall moved SB 1427 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1428 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair move the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hall moved SB 1428 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1429 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

No witnesses registered or testified on the bill.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hall moved SB 1429 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1434 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

Senator Bettencourt sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Bettencourt to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hall moved SB 1434 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:29 PM Senator Bettencourt resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2146 and recognized Senator Eckhardt, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

No witnesses registered or testified on the bill.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 2146 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2145 and recognized Senator Eckhardt, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

No witnesses registered or testified on the bill.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 2145 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2147 and recognized Senator Eckhardt, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

No witnesses registered or testified on the bill.

The chair moved the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt moved SB 2147 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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There being no further business, at 11:36 PM Senator Bettencourt moved the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair

Sydney Suss, Clerk