

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

Thursday, May 20, 2021

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on State Affairs was held on Thursday, May 20, 2021, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Bryan Hughes, Chair
Senator Brian Birdwell, Vice Chair
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.
Senator Jane Nelson
Senator Beverly Powell
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 3503 and recognized Senator Hall, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3503 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1500 and recognized Senator Hall, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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. Senator Hughes moved that HB 1500 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4107 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, 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. Senator Hughes moved that HB 4107 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1280 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton, 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. Senator Hughes moved that HB 1280 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2168 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Powell, to explain the bill. Senator Powell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Powell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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. Senator Hughes moved that HB 2168 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 368 and recognized Senator Powell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 368 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:46 AM Senator Hall assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2179 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 2179 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2182 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 2182 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2183 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 2183 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3203 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hughes to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Hughes moved that the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hall moved that HB 3203 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3216 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 3216 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3276 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hughes to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 3276 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3385 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3385 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3433 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hall moved that HB 3433 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3906 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hall moved that HB 3906 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3920 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 3920 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:00 AM Senator Hughes resumed the chair.

At 11:01 AM Senator Hughes moved that the Committee stand recessed 2 PM or upon adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 6:16 PM Senator Hughes reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out HB 2675 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Birdwell, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 2675 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Birdwell, to explain the bill. Senator Birdwell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Birdwell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 6:48 PM Senator Hall assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 3162 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, Jr., 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 3162 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SJR 58 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill. Senator Hall moved that SJR 58 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1493 and recognized Senator Lucio, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Lucio, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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. Senator Hall moved that HB 1493 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4555 and recognized Senator Lucio, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Lucio, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Hall moved that HB 4555 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:07 PM Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2416 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Powell, 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. Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 2416 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:11 PM Senator Powell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 3009 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Powell moved that HB 3009 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1135 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Powell moved that HB 1135 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2197 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Powell moved that HB 2197 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3566 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Powell moved that HB 3566 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4240 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 4240 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:19 PM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HCR 1 and recognized Senator Powell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Zaffirini moved that HCR 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:20 PM Senator Hughes resumed the chair.

At 7:23 PM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1262 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hughes to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Hughes moved that HB 1262 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3868 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3868 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2701 and recognized Senator Hughes, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 2701 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 525 and recognized Senator Hughes, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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. Senator Hughes moved that HB 525 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:32 PM Senator Hughes resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 7:33 PM Senator Hughes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bryan Hughes, Chair

Courtney Smith, Clerk