

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Thursday, May 26, 2022

10:00 AM

Houston, Texas

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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 Criminal Justice was held on Thursday, May 26, 2022, in Houston, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator John Whitmire, Chair  
Senator Paul Bettencourt  
Senator Juan Hinojosa  
Senator Robert Nichols

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Joan Huffman, Vice Chair  
Senator Brian Birdwell  
Senator Borris Miles

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The chair called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Other Senators attending: Sen. Carol Alvarado.

The Chair laid out the following Committee interim charge: **Automobile Parts Theft (Including Catalytic Converters)**: Review the effect of House Bill 4110 (87th Legislature), relating to the registration of metal recycling, and related catalytic converter theft legislation passed by the 87th Legislature. Determine what actions are needed to aid law enforcement and stop catalytic converter theft and its related violence.

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

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

There being no further business, at 12:53 PM Senator Whitmire moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator John Whitmire, Chair

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Lara Wendler, Clerk