

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

9:00 AM

Senate Chamber

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Health & Human Services was held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Chair
Senator Charles Perry, Vice Chair
Senator César Blanco
Senator Dawn Buckingham
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Borris Miles
Senator Beverly Powell
Senator Kel Seliger

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:17 AM. There being a quorum established at 9:46, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Charles Perry
Senator César Blanco
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Borris Miles

The chair laid out HB 1919 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill.

Senator Powell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1919 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4048 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nathan Johnson, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 4048.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 4048 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3821 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 3821 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4074 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 4074.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 4074 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2792 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Alvarado, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 2792.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2792 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1097 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 1097.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1097 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3800 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 3800.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 3800 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1315 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Powell, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Powell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 1315.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1315 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1967 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Powell, to explain the bill.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1967 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2758 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton, to explain the bill.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2758 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2867 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 2867.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2867 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Perry assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 15 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Buckingham sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 15.(See attached witness list). Senator Perry moved that HB 15 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kolkhorst resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2056 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 2056.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2056 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3037 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Miles, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 3037.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 3037 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2822 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

The Chair called the following invited witnesses to provide testimony on HB 2822.(See attached witness list). Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2822 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:32 PM Senator Perry reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out HB 133 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 133 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 297 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 297 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1935 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Miles, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 1935 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 149 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Miles sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Campbell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Perry moved that HB 149 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2052 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 2052 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2308 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 2308 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3088 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 3088 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3366 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Miles sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Campbell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Perry moved that HB 3366 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3240 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 3240 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4094 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 4094 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4272 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 4272 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4158 and recognized Senator Campbell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 4158 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 707 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Blanco, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry moved that HB 707 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 15. Public testimony was heard.

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 Campbell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2211 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Senator Campbell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Public testimony was heard.

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 Perry resumed the chair.

As a matter of pending business, the Chair laid out the following bills, HB 297, HB 1935, HB 1967, HB 2758, HB 2792, HB 2867, HB 3037, HB 3088, HB 3800, HB 3821, HB 4048, HB 4047, HB 4094, HB 4158, HB 133, HB 149, HB 707, HB 1097, HB 1315, HB 1919, HB 2052, HB 2308, HB 3240, HB 2822, HB 3366, HB 4272, HB 2056. Public testimony was heard.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bills are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell assumed the chair.

These bills were left pending.

There being no further business, Senator Buckingham moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.



Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Chair



Avery Kostic, Clerk