

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Transportation was held on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Robert Nichols, Chair
Senator Kel Seliger, Vice Chair
Senator Carol Alvarado
Senator César Blanco
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 586 and recognized the author, Senator Springer, to explain the bill.

The roll was called and a quorum was present.

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 Nichols moved that SB 586 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 763 and recognized the author, 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 Nichols moved that SB 763 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1838 and recognized the author, Senator Eckhardt, to explain the bill. Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Eckhardt 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1838 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1566 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill. Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Lucio 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1566 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1334 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill. Senator Hinojosa sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hinojosa 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1334 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1474 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill. Senator Perry sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1474 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1814 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill. Senator Seliger sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Seliger 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1814 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1816 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill. Senator Seliger sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Seliger 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.

Senator Hancock assumed the chair.

Testimony continued.

Senator Nichols resumed the chair.

Testimony continued.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1816 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1817 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill. Senator Seliger sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Seliger 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1817 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 586, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Seliger moved that SB 586 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 763, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Seliger moved that SB 763 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1334, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1334 do not pass but that CSSB 1334 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1474, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Perry moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Perry moved that SB 1474 do not pass but that CSSB 1474 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Perry moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1566, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1566 do not pass but that CSSB 1566 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1814, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Seliger moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that SB 1814 do not pass but that CSSB 1814 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1816, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Seliger moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was

so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that SB 1816 do not pass but that CSSB 1816 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1817, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Seliger moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that SB 1817 do not pass but that CSSB 1817 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1704, which had been left pending at a previous hearing. Senator Blanco moved that SB 1704 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Blanco moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1728, which had been left pending at a previous hearing. Senator Seliger moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that SB 1728 do not pass but that CSSB 1728 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that 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 Kolkhorst and Senator West requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 9:54 AM Senator Nichols moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Robert Nichols, Chair

Amy Jeter, Clerk