MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS

Monday, April 19, 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 Water, Agriculture & Rural Affairs was held on Monday, April 19, 2021, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Charles Perry, Chair Senator Drew Springer, Vice Chair Senator Brandon Creighton Senator Sarah Eckhardt Senator Roland Gutierrez Senator Nathan Johnson Senator Lois Kolkhorst Senator Beverly Powell None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Lois Kolkhorst

Senator Larry Taylor

Senator Brandon Creighton

Senator Nathan Johnson

Senator Roland Gutierrez

The chair laid out SB 830 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that SB 830 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1008 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 that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that SB 1008 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1719 and recognized the author, Senator Hall, to explain the bill.

Senator Springer sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hall to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The chair moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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.

The chair moved that SB 1719 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 531 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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.

The chair moved that SB 531 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 784 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, 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.

The chair moved that SB 784 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1176 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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.

The chair moved that SB 1176 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 840 and recognized the author, Senator Springer, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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.

The chair moved that SB 840 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1997 and recognized the author, Senator Springer, 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.

The chair moved that SB 1997 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1998 and recognized the author, Senator Springer, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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.

The chair moved that SB 1998 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SCR 32 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill.

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

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

The chair moved that SCR 32 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2183 and recognized Senator Creighton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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.

The chair moved that SB 2183 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:40 AM Senator Springer assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1335 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. Senator Perry moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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.

The chair moved that SB 1335 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1070 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, 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.

The chair moved that HB 1070 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2089 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

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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.

The chair moved that HB 2089 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew HB 1070.

Senator Perry moved that HB 1070 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 Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 1070; without objection it was so ordered.

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

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew HB 2089.

Senator Perry moved that HB 2089 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 Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on HB 2089; without objection it was so ordered.

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

At 9:57 AM Senator Perry resumed the chair.

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew SB 1997.

Senator Springer moved that SB 1997 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 Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 1997; without objection it was so ordered.

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

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As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew SB 840.

Senator Springer moved that SB 840 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 Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 840; without objection it was so ordered.

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

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew SB 784.

Senator Creighton moved that SB 784 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 1 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 784; without objection it was so ordered.

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew SB 2183.

The chair moved that SB 2183 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 Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 2183; without objection it was so ordered.

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

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew SCR 32.

The chair moved that SCR 32 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 Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SCR 32; without objection it was so ordered.

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

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew SB 1719.

The chair moved that SB 1719 do not pass but that CSSB 1719 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 Johnson and Powell submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 1719; without objection it was so ordered

There being no further business, at 10:04 AM Senator Perry moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Pursuant to motion made on the Senate floor by Senator Perry to suspend Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, the Senate Committee on Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs reconvened at 4:12 PM in the Senate Press Room, 2E.9.

As a matter of pending business, the chair laid out anew SB 997.

The chair moved that SB 997 do not pass but that CSSB 997 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

There being no further business, at 4:14 PM Senator Perry moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Charles Perry, Chair	
Lauren Murray, Clerk	