

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Friday, May 19, 2023

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Business & Commerce was held on Friday, May 19, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair
Senator Phil King, Vice Chair
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Nathan Johnson
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator José Menéndez
Senator Mayes Middleton
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, and all other necessary rules were suspended so that the Senate Committee on Business and Commerce could meet at 8:00 AM rather than 8:30 AM in E1.036 on Friday, May 19, 2023.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM.

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator King, Senator Birdwell, Senator Creighton, Senator Johnson, Senator Kolkhorst, Senator Menéndez, Senator Middleton, Senator Nichols, Senator Zaffirini.

Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, and all other necessary rules were suspended to add HB 30, HB 139, HB 173, HB 1518, HB 3033, and HB 4579 to the Senate Committee on Business and Commerce posting for May 19, 2023.

The Chair laid out HB 3440 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill. Senator Campbell sent up the committee substitute to HB 3440. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as engrossed. Individuals 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 CSHB 3440 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2259 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Middleton, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 2259 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2266 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Middleton, 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 2266 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1597 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Sparks, 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 1597 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out HB 1620 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 1620 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3668 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 3668 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The Chair laid out HB 1466, sponsored by Senator Johnson, and recognized Senator Middleton 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 1466 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4373, sponsored by Senator Johnson, and recognized Senator Middleton to explain the bill. Individuals 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 4373 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2965, sponsored by Senator Creighton, and recognized Senator Campbell 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 2965 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4219, sponsored by Senator Creighton, and recognized Senator Campbell 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 4219 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HCR 26, sponsored by Senator Creighton, and recognized Senator Campbell to explain the bill. No witnesses testified or registered on the bill. The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that HCR 26 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2313 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. The Chair moved that HB 2313 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4952 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton, to explain the bill. Senator Campbell sent up the committee substitute to HB 4952. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as engrossed. Individuals 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 CSHB 4952 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3335 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. The Chair moved that HB 3335 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4025 and recognized the Senate Sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill. No witnesses testified or registered on the bill. The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that HB 4025 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 139 and recognized the Senate Sponsor, Senator Hall, to explain the bill. No witnesses testified or registered on the bill. The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that HB 139 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4524 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hall, to explain the bill. Senator King sent up the committee substitute to HB 4524. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as engrossed. Individuals 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 CSHB 4524 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2333 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Flores, 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 2333 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 173 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Johnson, 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 173 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1996 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Johnson, 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 1996 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2549 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Johnson, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 2549 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3625 sponsored by Senator Huffman, and recognized Senator Creighton, to explain the bill. Senator Creighton sent up the committee substitute to HB 3625. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as engrossed. Individuals 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 CSHB 3625 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1518 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 1518 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1903 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 1903 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2060 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, 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 2060 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3772 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 3772 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2265 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. The Chair moved that HB 2265 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4579 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. The Chair moved that HB 4579 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4542 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Blanco, 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 4542 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2702 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Menéndez, 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 2702 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 821 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 HB 821 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 823 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 HB 823 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1363 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 1363 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2839 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 2839 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2884 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 HB 2884 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3033 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Zaffirini sent up the committee substitute to HB 3033. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as engrossed. Individuals 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 CSHB 3033 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4389 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Zaffirini sent up the committee substitute to HB 4389. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the 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. The Chair moved that CSHB 4389 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 30 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator King, to explain the bill.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

Senator King sent up the committee substitute to HB 30. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the 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. The Chair moved that CSHB 30 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3436 and recognized the Senate Sponsor, Senator King, to explain the bill. No witnesses testified or registered on the bill. The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that HB 3436 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3579 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator King, to explain the bill. Individuals 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 3579 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The Chair laid out CSHB 30, sponsored by Senator King, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator King moved that HB 30 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The Chair laid out HB 139, sponsored by Senator Hall, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 139 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 821 by Senator Zaffirini as a matter of pending business. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 821 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion did not carry with a record vote of 4 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 5 absent.

The Chair laid out HB 1363, sponsored by Senator Zaffirini, as a matter of pending business. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 1363 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1466, sponsored by Senator Johnson, as a matter of pending business. Senator Johnson moved that HB 1466 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1518, sponsored by Senator Parker, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 1518 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1597, sponsored by Senator Sparks, as a matter of pending business.

Senator King moved that HB 1597 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1903, sponsored by Senator Parker, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 1903 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 1996, sponsored by Senator Johnson, as a matter of pending business. Senator Johnson moved that HB 1996 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The Chair laid out HB 2060, sponsored by Senator Parker, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 2060 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2259, sponsored by Senator Middleton, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 2259 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2313 by Senator Paxton as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 2313 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion did not carry with a record vote of 4 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 5 absent.

The Chair laid out HB 2333, sponsored by Senator Flores, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 2333 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 2839, sponsored by Senator Zaffirini, as a matter of pending business. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 2839 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3436, sponsored by Senator King, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 3436 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out CSHB 3440, sponsored by Senator Hinojosa, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator King moved that HB 3440 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3579, sponsored by Senator King, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 3579 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out CSHB 3625, sponsored by Senator Huffman, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator King moved that HB 3625 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4025, sponsored by Senator Kolkhorst, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 4025 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4373, sponsored by Senator Johnson, as a matter of pending business. Senator Johnson moved that HB 4373 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out CSHB 4952, sponsored by Senator Paxton, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator King moved that HB 4952 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator King assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out HB 1437 by Representative Clardy in lieu of CSSB 554 by Senator Hughes as a matter of pending business. Senator Schwertner sent up the committee substitute to HB 1437. The Chair recognized the Senate Sponsor, Senator Schwertner, to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as engrossed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner moved that HB 1437 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

At 10:17 AM, the Chair moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair.

At 1:09 PM, the Chair called the meeting back to order, in the Press Room (2E.9), to continue voting on pending business.

The Chair laid out HB 2266 by Senator Middleton as a matter of pending business. Senator Middleton moved that HB 2266 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion did not carry with a record vote of 3 ayes, 4 nays, 0 present not voting, and 4 absent.

The Chair laid out CSHB 3033, sponsored by Senator Zaffirini, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator King moved that HB 3033 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The Chair moved to reconsider the vote for HB 2313, which failed to reach an affirmative vote earlier in the meeting; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator King moved that HB 2313 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The Chair moved to reconsider the vote for HB 821, which failed to reach an affirmative vote earlier in the meeting; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator King moved that HB 821 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out HB 2965, sponsored by Senator Creighton, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 2965 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out HB 3335, sponsored by Senator Kolkhorst, as a matter of pending business. Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 3335 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 3772, sponsored by Senator Parker, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 3772 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4219, sponsored by Senator Creighton, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 4219 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out CSHB 4389, sponsored by Senator Zaffirini, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator King moved that HB 4389 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out CSHB 4524, sponsored by Senator Hall, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator King moved that HB 4524 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4542, sponsored by Senator Blanco, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 4542 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HB 4579, sponsored by Senator Hughes, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HB 4579 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out HCR 26, sponsored by Senator Creighton, as a matter of pending business. Senator King moved that HCR 26 be reported favorably to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. The Chair moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator King assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out HB 3615, sponsored by Senator Schwertner, as a matter of pending business. Senator Schwertner sent up the committee substitute to HB 3615. The Chair recognized the Senate Sponsor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as engrossed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that HB 3615 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 4 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 1:28 PM, the Chair moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair

Annika Vandayar, Clerk