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SENATE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Tuesday, March 28, 2023
3:30 PM or upon adjournment
Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Local Government was held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Roland Gutierrez
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair
Senator Drew Springer, Vice Chair
Senator Sarah Eckhardt
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Tan Parker
Senator Angela Paxton

Senator Paul Bettencourt, the acting chair, called the meeting to order at 3:37 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 59 and recognized Senator Eckhardt to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Eckhardt moved that SB 59 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out the committee substitute for SB 158 and recognized Senator Hall to lay out the substitute for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Hall moved that the committee substitute for SB 158 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute adopted

in lieu thereof do pass and be printed. Senator Hall moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 322 and recognized Senator Nichols to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Nichols moved that SB 322 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 348 and recognized Senator Parker to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Parker moved that SB 348 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 349 and recognized Senator Paxton to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Paxton moved that SB 349 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 361 and recognized Senator Springer to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Springer moved that SB 361 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Eckhardt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1088 and recognized Senator Springer to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Springer moved that SB 1088 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SJR 28 and recognized Senator Parker to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Parker moved that SB 59 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

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The chair laid out SB 580 and recognized Senator Eckhardt to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Eckhardt moved that SB 580 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 612 and recognized Senator Eckhardt to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Eckhardt moved that SB 612 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out the committee substitute for SB 767 and recognized Senator Hall to lay out the substitute for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Hall moved that the committee substitute for SB 767 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof do pass and be printed. Senator Parker moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out the committee substitute for SB 929 and recognized Senator Springer to lay out the substitute for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Springer moved that the committee substitute for SB 929 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof do pass and be printed. Senator Parker moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out the committee substitute for SB 1191 and recognized Senator Nichols to lay out the substitute for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the committee substitute for SB 1191 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof do pass and be printed. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1305 and recognized Senator Springer to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Springer moved that SB 1305 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1381 and recognized Senator Paxton to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Paxton moved that SB 1381 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Eckhardt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1439 and recognized Senator Parker to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Parker moved that SB 1439 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1801 and recognized Senator Hall to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Hall moved that SB 1801 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Springer moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2091 and recognized Senator Eckhardt to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Eckhardt moved that SB 2091 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Eckhardt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:01 PM Senator Bettencourt assumed the chair, and Senator Springer resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1250 and recognized Senator Bettencourt to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Bettencourt moved that SB 1250 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 1486 and recognized Senator Bettencourt to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Bettencourt moved that SB 1486 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2355 and recognized Senator Bettencourt to lay out the bill for a vote. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Bettencourt moved that SB 2355 be reported to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:02 PM Senator Bettencourt resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 4:03 PM Senator Bettencourt moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair

Marissa Pryor, Clerk