

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

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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 26, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Robert Nichols, Chair  
Senator Royce West, Vice Chair  
Senator Carol Alvarado  
Senator Sarah Eckhardt  
Senator Kelly Hancock  
Senator Phil King  
Senator Borris Miles  
Senator Tan Parker  
Senator Charles Perry

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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

The chair laid out SB 2376 and recognized the author, 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. Senator Nichols moved that SB 2376 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1315 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill. Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hinojosa to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed.

The roll was called and a quorum was established.

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 HB 1315 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2601 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. Senator Nichols moved that SB 2601 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 842 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Whitmire, 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 HB 842 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1263 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Miles, 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 HB 1263 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2179 and recognized the author, Senator LaMantia, to explain the bill. Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator LaMantia 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 2179 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1542 and recognized the author, Senator Parker, to explain the bill. Senator Parker sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Parker 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 1542 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2200 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, 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 2200 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1716 and recognized Senator Alvarado, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Alvarado 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 1716 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 414 and recognized Senator Parker, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The chair opened the floor for public testimony. There being no public testimony, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 414 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2515 and recognized Senator Parker, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Parker sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Parker 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 2515 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3106 and recognized Senator Hancock, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. The chair opened the floor for public testimony. There being no public testimony, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that HB 3106 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3108 and recognized Senator Hancock, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. The chair opened the floor for public testimony. There being no public testimony, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that HB 3108 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2567 and recognized the author, Senator West, 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 2567 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 842, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator West moved that HB 842 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 Alvarado, Senator Miles, Senator Parker and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1315, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator West moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West moved that HB 1315 do not pass but that CSHB 1315 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 Alvarado, Senator Miles, Senator Parker and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3106, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator West moved that HB 3106 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 Alvarado, Senator Miles, Senator Parker and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3108, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator West moved that HB 3108 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 Alvarado, Senator Miles, Senator Parker and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West 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 1716, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator West moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West moved that SB 1716 do not pass but that CSSB 1716 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 Alvarado, Senator Miles, Senator Parker and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2200, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Hancock moved that SB 2200 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 Alvarado, Senator Miles, Senator Parker and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock 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 2601, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator West moved that SB 2601 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 Alvarado, Senator Miles, Senator Parker and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator West 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 9:43 AM Senator Nichols moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Robert Nichols, Chair

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Amy Jeter, Clerk