

The House Committee on Trade, Workforce & Economic Development

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Pursuant to a notice posted on April 25, 2025, revised on April 28, 2025 and April 29, 2025, the House Committee on Trade, Workforce & Economic Development met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Button, at 8:08 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; and Richardson.

A quorum was present.

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HB 3344

The chair laid out HB 3344 as pending business.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Bell, Keith moved that HB 3344, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Luther; Richardson (7).

Nays: Representative Lujan (1).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Meza; Ordaz (3).

HB 3712

The chair laid out HB 3712 as pending business.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Longoria moved that HB 3712, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Richardson (8).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Meza; Ordaz (3).

HB 3862

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The chair laid out HB 3862 as pending business.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Richardson moved that HB 3862, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Richardson (8).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Meza; Ordaz (3).

HB 4204

The chair laid out HB 4204 as pending business.

Representative Harris Davila moved that HB 4204, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Richardson (8).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Meza; Ordaz (3).

(Representative Meza now present.)

HB 4518

The chair laid out HB 4518 as pending business.

Representative Bhojani moved that HB 4518, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

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Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Richardson (9).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Ordaz (2).

HCR 108

The chair recalled HCR 108 from subcommittee on International Relations.

The chair laid out HCR 108.

The chair recognized Representative Lujan to explain HCR 108.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Luther moved that HCR 108, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed and be sent to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Richardson (9).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Ordaz (2).

(Representative Ordaz now present.)

SB 462

The chair recalled SB 462 from subcommittee on Workforce.

The chair laid out SB 462, the companion to HB 3807.

The chair recognized Representative Lujan to explain SB 462.

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Representative Richardson moved that SB 462, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 841

The chair laid out SB 841, the companion to HB 2226.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Ordaz moved that SB 841, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 856

The chair recalled SB 856 from subcommittee on Workforce.

The chair laid out SB 856, the companion to HB 5008.

Representative Harris Davila moved that SB 856, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

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Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 1057

The chair laid out SB 1057, the companion to HB 4115.

Representative Lujan moved that SB 1057, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 1239

The chair laid out SB 1239, the companion to HB 3929.

Representative Luther moved that SB 1239, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 1455

The chair laid out SB 1455, the companion to HB 4483.

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Representative Bell, Keith moved that SB 1455, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 1612

The chair laid out SB 1612, the companion to HB 3287.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Bhojani moved that SB 1612, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 2349

The chair laid out SB 2349, the companion to HB 2214.

Representative Longoria moved that SB 2349, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

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Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

SB 2629

The chair laid out SB 2629, the companion to HB 1926.

Representative Ordaz moved that SB 2629, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Luther; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (10).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

HB 4196

The chair laid out HB 4196 as pending business.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Meza moved that HB 4196, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Meza; Ordaz (8).

Nays: Representatives Luther; Richardson (2).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Talarico (1).

HB 199

The chair laid out HB 199 as pending business.

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The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Richardson moved that HB 199, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Harris Davila; Luther; Ordaz; Richardson (6).

Nays: Representatives Bhojani; Meza (2).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Longoria; Lujan (3).

HB 5317

The chair laid out HB 5317.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Bell, Cecil to explain HB 5317.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Bell, Cecil to close on HB 5317.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 5317 was left pending without objection.

HB 1958

The chair laid out HB 1958.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Lopez, Janie to explain HB 1958.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Lopez, Janie to close on HB 1958.

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The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 1958 was left pending without objection.

HB 5212

The chair laid out HB 5212.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Phelan to explain HB 5212.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Phelan to close on HB 5212.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 5212 was left pending without objection.

HB 4558

The chair laid out HB 4558.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Anchía to explain HB 4558.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Anchía to close on HB 4558.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 4558 was left pending without objection.

HB 4560

The chair laid out HB 4560.

The chair recognized Representative Anchía to explain HB 4560.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Anchía to close on HB 4560.

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HB 4560 was left pending without objection.

HB 4899

The chair laid out HB 4899.

The chair recognized Representative Wilson to explain HB 4899.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Wilson to close on HB 4899.

HB 4899 was left pending without objection.

HB 3995

The chair laid out HB 3995.

The chair recognized Representative Troxclair to explain HB 3995.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Troxclair to close on HB 3995.

HB 3995 was left pending without objection.

HB 4487

The chair laid out HB 4487.

The chair recognized Representative Bhojani to explain HB 4487.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Bhojani to close on HB 4487.

HB 4487 was left pending without objection.

HB 2879

The chair laid out HB 2879.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Isaac to explain HB 2879.

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Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Isaac to close on HB 2879.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 2879 was left pending without objection.

HB 2031

The chair laid out HB 2031.

The chair recognized Representative Richardson to explain HB 2031.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Richardson to close on HB 2031.

HB 2031 was left pending without objection.

At 9:56 a.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was recessed until upon final adjourn./recess or bill referral if permission granted.

The committee reconvened at 7:36 p.m. and was called to order by the chair, Representative Button.

The quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Longoria; Lujan; Ordaz; and Richardson.

A quorum was present.

HB 4876

The chair laid out HB 4876.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Lambert to explain HB 4876.

(Representative Harris Davila now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Meza now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

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The chair recognized Representative Lambert to close on HB 4876.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 4876 was left pending without objection.

SB 1333

The chair laid out SB 1333.

The chair recognized Representative Leach to explain SB 1333.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Leach to close on SB 1333.

SB 1333 was left pending without objection.

HB 112

The chair laid out HB 112.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

Representative Longoria moved that HB 112, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Button; Bell, Keith; Bhojani; Harris Davila; Longoria; Lujan; Meza; Ordaz; Richardson (9).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Talarico; Luther (2).

HB 5567

The chair laid out HB 5567.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

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The chair recognized Representative Bell, Keith on behalf of Representative DeAyala to explain HB 5567.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Bell, Keith on behalf of Representative DeAyala to close on HB 5567.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 5567 was left pending without objection.

At 8:13 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Button, Chair

Victoria Smith, Clerk