

The House Committee on Ways & Means

89th Legislature

March 10, 2025

2:00 p.m.

JHR 140

Pursuant to a notice posted on March 5, 2025, and permission granted on March 6, 2025, to meet while the House was in session, the House Committee on Ways & Means met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Meyer, at 2:02 p.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Meyer; Button; Capriglione; Gervin-Hawkins; Hickland; Noble; Perez, Vincent; Turner; and Vasut.

A quorum was present.

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HJR 2

The chair laid out HJR 2.

The chair recognized Representative Geren to explain HJR 2.

(Representative Troxclair now present.)

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

The chair recognized Representative Geren to close on HJR 2.

HJR 2 was left pending without objection.

HB 195

The chair laid out HB 195.

The chair recognized Representative Plesa to explain HB 195.

(Representative Bernal now present.)

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

The chair recognized Representative Plesa to close on HB 195.

HB 195 was left pending without objection.

HB 247

The chair laid out HB 247.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to explain HB 247.

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

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to close on HB 247. The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 247 was left pending without objection.

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HJR 34

The chair laid out HJR 34.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to explain HJR 34.

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

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to close on HJR 34.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HJR 34 was left pending without objection.

HB 255

The chair laid out HB 255.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

(Representative Muñoz now present.)

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to explain HB 255.

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

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to close on HB 255.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 255 was left pending without objection.

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HJR 31

The chair laid out HJR 31.

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to explain HJR 31.

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

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to close on HJR 31.

HJR 31 was left pending without objection.

HJR 6

The chair laid out HJR 6.

The chair recognized Representative Capriglione to explain HJR 6.

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

The chair recognized Representative Capriglione to close on HJR 6.

HJR 6 was left pending without objection.

(Representative Button in chair.)

HJR 4

The chair laid out HJR 4.

The chair recognized Representative Meyer to explain HJR 4.

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

The chair recognized Representative Meyer to close on HJR 4.

HJR 4 was left pending without objection.

(Representative Meyer in chair.)

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HB 22

The chair laid out HB 22 as pending business.

Representative Button moved that HB 22, 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 Meyer; Bernal; Button; Capriglione; Gervin-Hawkins; Hickland; Muñoz; Noble; Perez, Vincent; Troxclair; Turner; Vasut (12).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Martinez Fischer (1).

HB 8

The chair laid out HB 8 as pending business.

Representative Noble moved that HB 8, 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 Meyer; Bernal; Button; Capriglione; Gervin-Hawkins; Hickland; Muñoz; Noble; Perez, Vincent; Troxclair; Turner; Vasut (12).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Martinez Fischer (1).

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HB 9

The chair laid out HB 9 as pending business.

Representative Hickland moved that HB 9, 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 Meyer; Bernal; Button; Capriglione; Gervin-Hawkins; Hickland; Muñoz; Noble; Perez, Vincent; Troxclair; Turner; Vasut (12).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Martinez Fischer (1).

HJR 1

The chair laid out HJR 1 as pending business.

Representative Troxclair moved that HJR 1, 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 Meyer; Bernal; Button; Capriglione; Gervin-Hawkins; Hickland; Muñoz; Noble; Perez, Vincent; Troxclair; Turner; Vasut (12).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representative Martinez Fischer (1).

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At 2:55 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Meyer, Chair

Ryan Marquess, Clerk