## MINUTES

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Wednesday, April 23, 2025 9:00 AM Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

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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 Economic Development was held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Senator Kevin Sparks, Vice Chair

Senator Phil King, Chair Senator Carol Alvarado Senator Nathan Johnson Senator Charles Schwertner

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM. A quorum was established at 9:15 AM. The following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after roll was called: Senator Alvarado, Senator Johnson, and Senator Schwertner.

The chair laid out SB 2539 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

There being no further witnesses on SB 2539, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 2539 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1250 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy", to explain the bill.

Senator Johnson sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy", 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.

There being no further witnesses on SB 1250, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 1250 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2298 and recognized the author, Senator Paxton, to explain the bill.

Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Paxton 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.

There being no further witnesses on SB 2298, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 2298 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2747 and recognized the author, Senator Paxton, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

There being no further witnesses on SB 2747, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 2747 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2925 and recognized Senator Johnson, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator King sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Johnson 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.

There being no further witnesses on SB 2925, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 2925 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2993 and recognized the author, Senator Johnson, to explain the bill.

Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Johnson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

There being no further witnesses on SB 2993 public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 2993 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2532 and recognized the author, Senator Middleton, to explain the bill.

Senator Johnson sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Middleton 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.

There being no further witnesses on SB 2532, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 2532 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1520 and recognized Senator Alvarado, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Johnson 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.

There being no further witnesses on SB 1520, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 1520 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1950 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

There being no further witnesses on SB 1950, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 1950 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 317 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

There being no further witnesses on SB 317, public testimony was closed.

Senator King moved that SB 317 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 10:43 AM Senator Johnson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Phil King, Chair

Jack Herrell, Clerk