

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION K-16

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

11:00 AM 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 Education K-16 was held on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair
Senator Donna Campbell, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brent Hagenbuch
Senator Adam Hinojosa
Senator Phil King
Senator José Menéndez
Senator Mayes Middleton
Senator Tan Parker
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Adam Hinojosa
Senator Mayes Middleton
Senator Tan Parker
Senator Royce West

The chair laid out SB 1619 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, 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 Creighton moved that SB 1619 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 611 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy", to explain the bill.

Senator Menéndez 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. Senator Menéndez moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Creighton moved that SB 611 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1325 and recognized the author, Senator Johnson, to explain the bill.

Senator Menéndez sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Johnson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator King moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Creighton moved that SB 1325 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1174 and recognized the author, Senator Alvarado, to explain the bill.

Senator Menéndez sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Alvarado to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Paxton moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Creighton moved that SB 1174 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1551 and recognized the author, Senator Cook, 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 Creighton moved that SB 1551 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1396 and recognized the author, Senator Hall, to explain the bill.

Senator Paxton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hall to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Paxton moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Creighton moved that SB 1396 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 920 and recognized the author, Senator Sparks, to explain the bill.

Senator Parker sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Sparks to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Parker moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Creighton moved that SB 920 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1207 and recognized the author, Senator King, 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 Creighton moved that SB 1207 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 207 and recognized the author, Senator Paxton, 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 Creighton moved that SB 207 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 6:10 PM Senator Bettencourt moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.



Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair



Carmen Fish, Clerk