

## **MINUTES**

### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION K-16**

Tuesday, May 27, 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 Education K-16 was held on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **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

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. 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 José Menéndez  
Senator Angela Paxton

The chair laid out HB 4359 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Phil King, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 HB 4359 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 549 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nathan Johnson, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 HB 549 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 5381 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Middleton, 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 HB 5381 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2757 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hagenbuch, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 HB 2757 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1939 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, 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 HB 1939 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 5606 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Creighton, 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 Campbell moved that HB 5606 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 123 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Creighton, 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 Campbell moved that HB 123 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 123.

Senator King moved that HB 123 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 5606.

Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 5606 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hinojosa moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Creighton resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 549.

Senator Parker moved that HB 549 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator King moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2757.

Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 2757 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4359.

Senator Parker moved that HB 4359 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 5381.

Senator Parker moved that HB 5381 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 20.

Senator Bettencourt moved that HB 20 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

There being no further business, at 9:46 PM Senator Parker moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Brandon Creighton", written over a horizontal line.

Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Carmen Fish", written over a horizontal line.

Carmen Fish, Clerk