

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Carol Alvarado
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Pete Flores
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Royce West
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The Chair made opening remarks.

The Chair laid out SB 1.

Invited testimony was heard on SB 1 – Article III, Higher Education. Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Available University Fund

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Higher Education Fund

Permanent Fund Supporting Military and Veterans Exemptions

Higher Education Group Insurance

General Academics Institutions, Lamar State Colleges, Texas State Technical Colleges

Health Related Institutions

The Chair closed testimony.

Senator Huffman moved that SB 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 11:41 AM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk