

## **MINUTES**

### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Thursday, February 6, 2025

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

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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 Finance was held on Thursday, February 6, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **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

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The Chair made opening remarks.

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

Texas Tech University System Administration  
Texas Tech University  
Angelo State University  
Midwestern State University  
Texas Tech Health Sciences Center  
Texas Tech Health Sciences Center at El Paso  
Baylor College of Medicine  
University of Texas System Administration  
The University of Texas at Arlington  
The University of Texas at Austin  
University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The University of Texas at Dallas  
The University of Texas at El Paso  
The University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley  
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine  
The University of Texas at Permian Basin  
The University of Texas at San Antonio  
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio  
The University of Texas at Tyler  
University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler  
Stephen F. Austin State University  
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston  
University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston  
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center  
Texas State University System  
Texas State University  
Sam Houston State University  
Sam Houston State University College of Medicine  
Lamar University  
Sul Ross State University  
Sul Ross State University Rio Grande College  
Lamar State College - Port Arthur  
Lamar Institute of Technology  
Lamar State College - Orange  
University of North Texas System Administration  
University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth  
University of North Texas

University of North Texas at Dallas  
Texas State Technical College System  
Texas Woman's University System  
Texas Woman's University  
Texas Association of Community Colleges  
Special Provisions Relating Only to Higher Education and Components of Texas State Technical College

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 6:51 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

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Stephanie Hoover, Clerk