

## **MINUTES**

### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

Wednesday, May 1, 2013

1:30 PM or upon adjournment

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 Intergovernmental Relations was held on Wednesday, May 1, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Juan Hinojosa, Chair

Senator Robert Nichols, Vice Chair

Senator Ken Paxton

Senator Larry Taylor

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Sylvia Garcia

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The chair called the meeting to order at 3:08 PM.

The chair laid out SB 1873 and recognized the author, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

There being a quorum present at 3:10PM, the following business was transacted:

Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the minutes from the previous hearing held on April 24, 2013; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved to open public testimony on SB 1873; witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1873 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out HB 1237 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1237 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1259 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1259 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1920 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1920 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1969 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1969 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3889 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 3889 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1906 and recognized the author, Senator Hegar, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Hegar to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1906 do not pass but that CSSB 1906 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 1910 and recognized the author, Senator Hegar, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1910 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 241 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hegar, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 241 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 628 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Watson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Nichols moved that SB 628 do not pass but that CSSB 628 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1427 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Fraser, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1427 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 712 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Patrick, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 712 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1127 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Patrick, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Patrick to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony; witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that CSHB 1127 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 930 and recognized the author, Senator Van de Putte, to explain the bill.

At 4:05 PM Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

Senator Paxton sent up a committee substitute for SB 930; the chair recognized Senator Van de Putte to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the committee substitute CSSB 930; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony; witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

At 4:10 PM Senator Hinojosa resumed the chair.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed on CSSB 930; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Paxton moved that SB 930 do not pass but that CSSB 930 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Paxton moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1916 and recognized Senator Paxton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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 Nichols moved that SB 1916 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 1385 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1385 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 482 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 482 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 674 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 674 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1913 and recognized the author, Senator Nichols, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1913 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 326 and recognized Senator Taylor, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Taylor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The chair moved to open public testimony; 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.

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Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 326 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1899 and recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; there was none. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1899 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Nichols 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 SB 1635 and recognized Senator Hinojosa, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The chair moved to open public testimony; witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1635 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:41PM Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of the minutes from the previous desk hearing held on April 25, 2013; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 4:42 PM Senator Hinojosa moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Juan Hinojosa, Chair

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JD Pedraza, Clerk