#### **MINUTES**

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

Tuesday, April 2, 2013 1:30 PM or upon adjournment Betty King Committee Room

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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 Jurisprudence was held on Tuesday, April 2, 2013, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

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### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Royce West, Chair Senator José Rodríguez, Vice Chair Senator Donna Campbell Senator Sylvia Garcia Senator Kelly Hancock Senator Ken Paxton Senator John Carona

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:32 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Garcia moved adoption of the minutes from the previous hearing held on March 26, 2013. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 209 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

At 2:15 PM Senator Hancock assumed the Chair.

At 2:19 PM Senator West resumed the Chair.

The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator West moved that SB 209 be left pending. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SJR 42 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 West moved that SJR 42 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SCR 30 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Uresti to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 West moved that SCR 30 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 774 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, 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 West moved that SB 774 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1832 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

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The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that SB 1832 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:34 PM Senator Garcia assumed the Chair.

The Chair laid out SB 967 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 West moved that SB 967 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1235 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 West moved that SB 1235 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1236 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

There were no witnesses registered to testify on this bill.

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Senator West moved that SB 1236 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1422 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator West to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 West moved that SB 1422 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:47 PM Senator West resumed the Chair.

The Chair laid out SB 947 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Nelson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 West moved that SB 947 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

As a matter of pending business, there was no action taken on SB 768.

At 3:06 PM Senator Garcia assumed the Chair.

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 778 and recognized Senator Paxton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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Senator Paxton sent up a committee substitute; the Chair recognized Senator Paxton, in the absence of the author, to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Garcia moved that SB 778 be left pending to await a quorum. Without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:11 PM Senator Garcia moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the Chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Royce West, Chair	