

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

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, March 4, 2015, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Kevin Eltife
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Joan Huffman
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Larry Taylor
Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator John Whitmire

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Nelson made opening remarks.

Senator Nelson laid out the following pending bills: SB 1, SB 7, SB 8, SB 31, SB 105, SB 138, SB 140, SB 186, SB 278, SB 279, SB 330, SB 331, SB 516, SB 687, SB 744, SB 752, SB 755, SB 756, SB 757, SB 758, SB 759, SB 761, SB 762, SB 763, SB 765, SJR 1, SJR 20, SJR 21, SJR 23, SJR 29, SJR 35 and SJR 36.

Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Senator Nelson announced workgroups.

At 10:26 AM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:36 PM Senator Nelson reconvened the meeting.

Public testimony continued.

Senator Nelson closed testimony and left the following bills pending: SB 1, SB 7, SB 8, SB 31, SB 105, SB 138, SB 140, SB 186, SB 278, SB 279, SB 330, SB 331, SB 516, SB 687, SB 744, SB 752, SB 755, SB 756, SB 757, SB 758, SB 759, SB 761, SB 762, SB 763, SB 765, SJR 1, SJR 20, SJR 21, SJR 23, SJR 29, SJR 35 and SJR 36.

There being no further business, at 3:13 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk