

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

10:00 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 Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 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 Brian Birdwell
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Joan Huffman
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Larry Taylor

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The Chair and members of the Committee had a discussion on emergency leave.

Testimony was heard of the following interim charge:

Examine options and make recommendations for strengthening restriction on appropriations established in Article VIII Section 22 of the state constitution, including related procedures defined in statute. Consider options for ensuring available revenues above spending limit are reserved for tax relief.

Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nelson announced that the next Senate Finance Committee hearing will be on September 15, 2016 to discuss the monitoring interim charge.

There being no further business, at 1:10 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