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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

Monday, April 6, 2015

1:00 PM

Senate Chamber

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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 Health & Human Services was held on Monday, April 6, 2015, in the Senate Chamber.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair  
Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Vice Chair  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Craig Estes  
Senator Charles Perry  
Senator José Rodríguez  
Senator Van Taylor  
Senator Carlos Uresti  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. There being a quorum present at 1:03 PM, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1243 and recognized the author, Senator Burton, to explain the bill.

Senator Taylor, Van, sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Burton to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 785.

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Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Uresti to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Zaffirini moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 785 do not pass but that CSSB 785 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent.

Senator Uresti 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 949.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Uresti to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Zaffirini moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 949 do not pass but that CSSB 949 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent.

Senator Uresti 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 1214.

Senator Taylor, Van, moved that SB 1214 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent.

Senator Taylor, Van, 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 CSSB 212.

Senator Taylor, Van, sent up Committee Amendment 2. Senator Taylor, Van, moved to withdraw Committee Amendment 2; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor, Van, moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor, Van, moved that SB 212 do not pass but that CSSB 212 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1128 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1129 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 706 and recognized the author, Senator Garcia, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Garcia to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1462 and recognized Senator Zaffirini, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1496 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1999 and recognized Senator Uresti, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

The chair recognized Senator Menendez to close on the bill.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 571 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodríguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1699 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Senator Taylor, Van, sent up a committee substitute.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1540 and recognized Senator Taylor, Van, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Estes sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Taylor, Van, to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

At 1:43 PM Senator Kolkhorst assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1279 and recognized Senator Schwertner, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Estes sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

The bill was left pending.

At 1:46 PM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1540.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1279.

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The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1496.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1699.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1243.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1999.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1128.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1462.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1129.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 571.

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

At 3:16 PM Senator Kolkhorst assumed the chair.

At 3:24 PM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 706.

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

The chair closed public testimony on the bill. The bill was left pending.

There being no further business, at 4:19 PM Senator Kolkhorst moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair

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Meagan Kirby, Clerk