

## **MINUTES**

### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

9:00 AM

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 Education was held on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair  
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Vice Chair  
Senator Paul Bettencourt  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Bob Hall  
Senator Don Huffines  
Senator Bryan Hughes  
Senator Kel Seliger  
Senator Van Taylor  
Senator Carlos Uresti  
Senator Royce West

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 196 and recognized the author, Senator Garcia, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Garcia 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 Larry Taylor moved that SB 196 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The clerk called the roll; a quorum was present (Senators Larry Taylor, Bettencourt, Huffines, Hughes, Van Taylor, Uresti, and West).

The chair laid out SB 1122 and recognized the author, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffines sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Huffines to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Seliger present.

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

Senator Lucio present.

Senator Campbell present.

SB 1122 was temporarily left pending.

At 10:59 AM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:51 PM Senator Larry Taylor reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1566 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Larry Taylor moved to withdraw the committee substitute sent up at a previous hearing.

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

Senator Van Taylor moved that SB 1566 do not pass but that CSSB 1566 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 640 and explained the bill.

Senator Van Taylor moved that SB 640 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 1153 and explained the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 1153 do not pass but that CSSB 1153 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 1837 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Van Taylor moved that SB 1837 do not pass but that CSSB 1837 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 2131 and explained the bill.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 2131 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1483 and explained the bill.

Senator Larry Taylor moved that SB 1483 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 1658 and the committee substitute sent up at a previous hearing and explained the bill.

Senator Larry Taylor sent up Committee Amendment 1 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

Senator Larry Taylor requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendment into the committee substitute to create a new committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Larry Taylor then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Larry Taylor moved that SB 1658 do not pass but that CSSB 1658 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1784 and the committee substitute laid out at a previous hearing and explained the bill.

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

Senator Larry Taylor moved that SB 1784 do not pass but that CSSB 1784 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 2080 and explained the bill.

Senator Larry Taylor sent up Committee Amendment 1 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

Senator Larry Taylor requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendment into a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Larry Taylor then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Larry Taylor moved that SB 2080 do not pass but that CSSB 2080 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1122.

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

Senator Larry Taylor moved that SB 1122 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1353 and recognized the author, Senator Larry Taylor, 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 Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 1353 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 463 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

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

Senator Larry Taylor moved that SB 463 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1166 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Van Taylor assumed the chair.

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

Senator Van Taylor moved that SB 1166 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1854 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

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

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 Larry Taylor moved that CSSB 1854 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1903 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 Larry Taylor moved that SB 1903 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1220 and recognized Senator West, in the absence of the author, 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 Larry Taylor moved that SB 1220 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1404 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill.

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

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 Larry Taylor moved that SB 1404 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Van Taylor assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1278 and recognized the author, Senator Larry Taylor, to explain the bill.

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

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 Van Taylor moved that CSSB 1278 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1481 and recognized the author, Senator Larry Taylor, to explain the bill.

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

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 Van Taylor moved that SB 1481 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

There was no action taken for the following bill(s): SB 646.

There being no further business, at 7:40 PM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Larry Taylor, Chair

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Daniel Warner, Clerk