

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

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, May 16, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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 Kel Seliger
Senator Van Taylor
Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Bryan Hughes

The posting rule, Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, was suspended to hear the following bill(s):
HB 1500

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:13 AM. (Senators Larry Taylor, Bettencourt, Hall, Seliger, Uresti present.)The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 674 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Garcia, to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio present.

Senator West present.

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 Uresti and Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Garcia to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Larry Taylor moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Larry Taylor moved that HB 674 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1553 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hinojosa, 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 HB 1553 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 136 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Carlos Uresti, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Huffines present.

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

Senator Larry Taylor moved that HB 136 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1500 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 house bill as engrossed. 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 West moved to withdraw the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor moved that HB 1500 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2623 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator West, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Van Taylor present.

Senator Campbell present.

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

Senator Larry Taylor moved that HB 2623 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 523 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, 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.

Roll was called; a quorum was present (Senators Larry Taylor, Lucio, Bettencourt, Campbell, Uresti, West.)

Senator Larry Taylor moved that HB 523 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 354 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, Jr., 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 HB 354 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 515 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Larry Taylor, to explain the bill.

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

The bill was temporarily left pending.

At 10:58 AM Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:43 PM Senator Larry Taylor reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out HB 1075 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, 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 HB 1075 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Seliger assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 515 and resumed testimony on the bill.

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

Senator Seliger moved that HB 515 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 3593 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 Uresti moved that HB 3593 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2087 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 Uresti moved that HB 2087 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4064 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 867 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van Taylor, to explain the bill.

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

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 HB 867 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1934 and recognized Senator Bettencourt, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

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

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 HB 1934 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 523 and explained the bill.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 523 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 Lucio, Senator Campbell, and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on HB 523.

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 HB 1075 and explained the bill.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 1075 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Lucio, Senator Campbell, and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on HB 1075.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1553 and explained the bill.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 1553 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 Lucio, Senator Campbell, and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on HB 1553.

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 HB 1934 and explained the bill.

Senator Hall moved that HB 1934, as amended, 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 Lucio, Senator Campbell, and Senator Uresti submitted a motion in writing to be shown voting aye on HB 1934 as amended.

There being no further business, at 4:06 PM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair

Nicole Sunstrum, Clerk