

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Monday, May 15, 2023

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

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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 Finance was held on Monday, May 15, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair  
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair  
Senator Paul Bettencourt  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Brandon Creighton  
Senator Pete Flores  
Senator Bob Hall  
Senator Kelly Hancock  
Senator Bryan Hughes  
Senator Lois Kolkhorst  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Angela Paxton  
Senator Charles Perry  
Senator Charles Schwertner  
Senator Royce West  
Senator John Whitmire  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:12 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 4034 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Johnson, to explain the bill.

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

The chair laid out HB 3104 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, to explain the bill.

The chair laid out HB 1058 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 9 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

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

The chair laid out HJR 125 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

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

The chair laid out HB 90 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

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

The chair laid out HB 3765 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

The chair laid out HB 4051 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

The chair laid out HB 4539 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 3599 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Juan Hinojosa, to explain the bill.

The chair laid out HB 1563 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hall, to explain the bill.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 4141 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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.

The chair laid out HJR 132 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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.

The chair laid out HB 9 and HJR 125 by Senator Huffman.

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

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

The chair laid out HB 90 by Senator Huffman.

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.

The chair laid out HB 3765 by Senator Huffman.

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.

The chair laid out HB 4051 by Senator Huffman.

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.

The chair laid out HB 4539 by Senator Huffman.

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.

The chair laid out HB 1058 by Senator Perry.

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.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out HB 1563 by Senator Hall.

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.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out HB 3104 by Senator Parker.

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.

The chair laid out HB 3599 by Senator Hinojosa.

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.

The chair laid out HB 4034 by Senator Johnson.

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.

The chair laid out HB 4141 by Senator Hughes.

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.

At 11:35 AM the committee stood at ease.

At 11:49 AM the committee reconvened.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 9 do not pass but that CSHB 9 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman moved that HJR 125 do not pass but that CSHJR 125 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 90 do not pass but that CSHB 90 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 3765 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 15 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman moved that HB 4051 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

Senator Huffman moved that HB 4539 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 14 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 3104 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 3599 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 4034 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 4141 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hughes moved that HJR 132 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 13 ayes, 4 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1718 in lieu of SB 1972 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

The bill was left pending.

Senator Creighton submitted a motion in writing asking to be shown voting aye on HB 9, HB 90, HB 3104, HB 3599, HB 3765, HB 4034, HB 4141, HJR 125 and HJR 132. He asked to be shown voting nay on HB 4539.

Senator Hancock submitted a motion in writing asking to be shown voting aye on HB 9, HB 90, HB 3765, HB 4051 HB, 4539, and HJR 125.

Senator West asked to be shown voting aye on HB 9, HB 90, HB 3765, HB 4051, HB 4539 and HJR 125.

There being no further business, at 12:00 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

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Stephanie Hoover, Clerk