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SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS

Friday, May 20, 2011

8:30 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Agriculture & Rural Affairs was held on Friday, May 20, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Craig Estes, Chair
Senator Carlos Uresti, Vice Chair
Senator Mike Jackson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Glenn Hegar
Senator Juan Hinojosa

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 3696 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill. Senator Uresti moved that HB 3696 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out HB 1080 and recognized Senator Jackson, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Jackson moved that HB 1080 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Jackson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 790 and recognized Senator Jackson, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Jackson moved that HB 790 be reported favorably to the Senate with the

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recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Jackson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 8:50 AM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2994 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, 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 Estes moved that HB 2994 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Estes moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1969 and recognized Senator Estes, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Estes moved that HB 1969 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3199 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, 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 Estes moved that HB 3199 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 8:57 AM Senator Estes resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1969. Senator Uresti moved that HB 1969 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

At 9:03 AM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3199. Senator Estes moved that HB 3199 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Estes moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

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At 9:04 AM Senator Estes resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 9:03 AM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Craig Estes, Chair

Ashley Patton, Clerk