

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

Tuesday, February 12, 2013

9:00 AM

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 Tuesday, February 12, 2013, in the Senate Chamber.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair  
Senator Bob Deuell, Vice Chair  
Senator Joan Huffman  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Charles Schwertner  
Senator Larry Taylor  
Senator Carlos Uresti  
Senator Royce West  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

At 9:03 AM Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 149 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson moved to withdraw the committee substitute to SB 149 sent up during the February 5, 2013 hearing. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Huffman sent up Committee Amendment 1 and moved that the amendment be left pending awaiting the arrival of a quorum.

Senator Schwertner sent up Committee Amendment 2 and moved that the amendment be left pending awaiting the arrival of a quorum.

Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Nelson moved the adoption of Committee Amendment 1, there being no objection it was so ordered. Senator Nelson moved adoption of Committee Amendment 2, there being no 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 Nelson moved SB 149 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:25 AM Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 406 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Nelson 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 Huffman moved committee substitute be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:00 AM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Nelson moved adoption of the committee substitute for SB 406, there being no objection it was so ordered.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 406 do not pass but that CSSB 406 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

As a matter of pending business the chair laid out SB 149 and recognized Senator Nelson.

Senator Nelson requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson moved that SB 149 do not pass but that CSSB 149 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 61 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, 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 Nelson moved that SB 61 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 66 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

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

No witnesses provided oral testimony. 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 Nelson moved that SB 66 do not pass but that CSSB 66 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 67 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, 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 Nelson moved that SB 67 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 153 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on SB 153.

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

Senator Nelson moved that SB 153 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

At 10:25 AM Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 35 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, 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.

At 10:44 AM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 35 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 10:45 AM Senator Deuell moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:00 PM Senator Nelson reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out SB 141 and recognized the author, 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 senate bill as filed. Senator Huffman moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Huffman moved that SB 141 do not pass but that CSSB 141 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 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.

At 1:03 PM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 186 and recognized Senator Nelson, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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

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

Senator Nelson moved that SB 186 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, 1 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

At 1:08 PM Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 1:08 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

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Michael Baca, Clerk