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SENATE COMMITTEE ON VETERAN AFFAIRS & MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

Wednesday, May 15, 2013
1:30 PM or upon adjournment
Betty King Committee Room

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations was held on Wednesday, May 15, 2013, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Leticia Van de Putte, Chair
Senator Brian Birdwell, Vice Chair
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Wendy Davis
Senator José Rodríguez

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The Chair recognized Olie Pope, Travis County Service Officer, to recite the United States Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas.

Senator Davis moved adoption of the minutes from the previous hearing held on May 8, 2013; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 633 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Davis, 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 Van de Putte moved that HB 633 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1123 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair

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moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Van de Putte moved that HB 1123 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2135 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodríguez, 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 Van de Putte moved that HB 2135 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2028 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Davis, to explain the bill. Senator Davis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Davis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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 de Putte moved that HB 2028 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered

The chair laid out HB 2029 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Davis, to explain the bill. Senator Davis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Davis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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 de Putte moved that HB 2029 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered

The chair laid out HB 3077 and recognized Senator Davis, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Davis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Davis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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 Van de Putte moved that HB 3077 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:53 PM Senator Birdwell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2388 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, 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 Birdwell moved that HB 2388 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2562 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair

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moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 2562 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3063 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, 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 Van de Putte moved that HB 3063 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3066 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, 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 moved that HB 3066 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3067 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, 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. The chair moved that HB 3067 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HJR 62 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Van de Putte, 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 moved that HJR 62 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:56 PM Senator Van de Putte resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 4:57 PM Senator Van de Putte moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Leticia Van de Putte, Chair

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Sara Goldstein, Clerk