

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Monday, May 22, 2017

9:30 AM

E1. 714

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Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Administration was held on Monday, May 22, 2017, in the E1. 714.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Chair  
Senator Konni Burton, Vice Chair  
Senator Don Huffines  
Senator Bryan Hughes  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Royce West  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:36 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3810 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

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

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 3810, 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 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4281 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 4281 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 1480 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 1480 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HCR 70 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Campbell, to explain the resolution.

No persons registered or testified on the resolution. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HCR 70 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4301 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4301 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4309 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4309 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4270 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4270 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4298 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 4298 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 2492 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 2492 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4275 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4275 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 2639 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the resolution. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 2639 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4329 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 4329 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 553 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Miles, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the resolution. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 553 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out HB 4310, HB 4311, HB 4312, HB 4313, and HB 4314 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bills.

A witness registered on the bills and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4311 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4310, HB 4312, HB 4313, and HB 4314 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, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 557 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Burton, to explain the bill.

The chair left HB 557 pending.

The chair laid out HB 4335 and recognized Senator Burton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4335 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 2881 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 2881 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, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 3783 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 3783 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4268 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

Senator Burton sent up a committee substitute. Senator Burton moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4268 do not pass but that CSHB 4268 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4287 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 4287 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, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4325 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4325 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4331 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4331 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

Senator Nichols 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 557 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Burton, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute. Senator West moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that HB 557 do not pass but that CSHB 557 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4321 and recognized Senator Burton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4321 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4324 and recognized Senator Burton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4324 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 2987 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 2987 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, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4340 and recognized Senator Hughes, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4340 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4341 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nichols, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 4341 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HCR 106 and recognized Senator Zaffirini, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the resolution.

A witness registered on the resolution and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HCR 106 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

At 10:37 AM Senator Burton assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1290 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, 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 Nichols moved that HB 1290 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out HB 4283 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 4283 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4289 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

No persons registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that HB 4289 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4297 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that HB 4297 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HCR 61 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the resolution.

A witness registered on the bill and is shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that HCR 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 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HCR 86 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the resolution.

Witnesses registering on the resolution are shown on the attached list. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that HCR 86 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator West moved that the resolution 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 4272 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 4272 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4285 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 4285 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hughes 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 4292 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes moved that HB 4292 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out HB 4320 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 4320 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

At 10:50 AM Senator Kolkhorst resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 208 as a matter of pending business.

Senator Burton sent up a committee substitute. Senator Nichols moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Burton moved that HB 208 do not pass but that CSHB 208 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Nichols 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 210.

Senator Burton moved that HB 210 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Burton 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 776.

Senator Burton moved that HB 776, 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 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Burton 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 822.

Senator Burton moved that HB 822 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Burton 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 897.

Senator Burton moved that HB 897, 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 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Burton 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 967 and recognized Senator Burton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 967 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, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

There being no further business, at 10:59 AM Senator Burton moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Chair

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Vanessa Cortez, Clerk