

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Thursday, May 11, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Education was held on Thursday, May 11, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Don Huffines
Senator Bryan Hughes
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Van Taylor
Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The posting rule, Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, was suspended to hear the following bill(s):

HB 21
HB 639
HB 657
HB 878
HB 1469
HB 2130
HB 3157

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. Senators Larry Taylor, Lucio and Van Taylor present. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 1645 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Roll was taken at 9:07 AM, a quorum was present (Senators Larry Taylor, Lucio, Hall, Huffines, Van Taylor, Uresti).

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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 1645 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 264 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Garcia, 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 264 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 878 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 878 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3024 and recognized Senator Lucio, Jr., 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 3024 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Seliger present.

Senator Hughes present.

The chair laid out HB 3157 and recognized Senator Van Taylor, 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 3157 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 657 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Menéndez, 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 657 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 639 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Menendez, 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 639 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2130 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Menéndez, 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 2130 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1569 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nichols, 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 1569 be left pending; without 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 1569 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4056 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, Jr., to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Lucio, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Lucio moved adoption of the committee substitute; without 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 4056 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1291 and recognized Senator Lucio, Jr., in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Lucio, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Lucio, Jr. moved adoption of the committee substitute; without 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 1291 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1469 and recognized Senator Van Taylor, 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 Larry Taylor moved that HB 1469 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 21 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Larry Taylor, to explain the bill.

Senator West present.

Senator Campbell present.

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

Senator Bettencourt present.

Senator Lucio moved that HB 21 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:58 AM Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:17 Senator Larry Taylor reconvened the meeting.

Senator Lucio, Jr. resumed the chair.

Public testimony resumed.

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

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

Senator Larry Taylor requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the bill to create a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Larry Taylor then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Larry Taylor moved that HB 21 do not pass but that CSHB 21 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, 2 nays, 1 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Larry Taylor resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 264.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 264 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 639.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 639 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 657.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 657 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 789.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 789 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Campbell 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 878.

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

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 878 do not pass but that CSHB 878 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 CSHB 1291.

Senator Campbell moved that HB 1291 do not pass but that CSHB 1291 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1469.

Senator Campbell moved that HB 1469 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, 2 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 1645.

Senator Hall moved that HB 1645 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 2130.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 2130 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 3024.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 3024 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 3157.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 3157 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Seliger 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 3563.

Senator Van Taylor moved that HB 3563 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt 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 CSHB 4056.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 4056 do not pass but that CSHB 4056 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

Motions in writing were submitted showing: Senator Hall voting nay on HB 21, Senator West voting aye on HBs 264, 639, 657, 789, 878, 1291, 1645, 2130, 3024, 3157, 3563 and 4056, and present not voting on HBs 21 and 1469, and Senator Hughes voting aye on HBs 21, 264, 639, 657, 789, 878, 1291, 1469, 1645, 2130, 3024, 3157, and 3563.

At 6:28 pm there being no further business, Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair

Nicole Sunstrum, Clerk