

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Joan Huffman
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Larry Taylor
Senator Carlos Uresti
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1.

Testimony was heard on SB 1 – Article IV and Article V. Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Court of Criminal Appeals

14 Courts of Appeals

Commission on Jail Standards

Texas Juvenile Justice Department

At 10:49 AM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed until 30 minutes after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:11 PM the Committee reconvened.

Department of Public Safety

Supreme Court of Texas

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice

Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

Board of Pardons and Paroles

Texas Military Department

Senator Nelson announced the following workgroup:

Juvenile Justice Workgroup:

Senator Whitmire, Chair

Senator Huffman

Senator Kolkhorst

Senator Taylor

Senator West

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission

Commission on Fire Protection

Commission on Law Enforcement

Special Provisions Relating to Public Safety and Criminal Justice Agencies

Public testimony was heard.

Senator Nelson closed public testimony.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 7:32 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk