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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

Tuesday, April 11, 2017
9:00 AM
Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development was held on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Craig Estes, Chair
Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair
Senator Konni Burton
Senator Sylvia Garcia
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Don Huffines
Senator Borris Miles
Senator José Rodríguez
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Van Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present at 9:03 AM, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Sylvia Garcia, Senator Kelly Hancock, Senator Don Huffines, and Senator Borris Miles.

The chair laid out SB 1817 and recognized the author, Senator Burton, to explain the bill. Senator Burton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Burton to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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The chair moved that SB 1817 be temporarily left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 400. Senator Burton sent up a committee substitute. Senator Burton moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Burton moved that SB 400 do not pass but that CSSB 400 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senators Garcia and Huffines submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on CSSB 400; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 SB 1330 and the committee substitute, which had been sent up at the April 4, 2017 hearing.

Senator Seliger moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that SB 1330 do not pass but that CSSB 1330 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. Senators Garcia and Hancock submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1330; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 SB 1465. Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1465 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. Senators Garcia and Hancock submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 1465; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini 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 SB 1667 and the committee substitute, which had been sent up at the April 4, 2017 hearing.

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Senator Estes moved that the committee substitute that had been sent up at the April 4, 2017 hearing be withdrawn; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Seliger to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the previous committee substitute.

Senator Seliger moved adoption of the new committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Seliger moved that SB 1667 do not pass but that CSSB 1667 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. Senators Garcia and Hancock submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on CSSB 1667; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 SB 1748. Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1748 be reported favorably 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, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Garcia submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 1748; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Huffines submitted a motion in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting nay on SB 1748; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1871. Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1871 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senators Garcia and Huffines submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 1871; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 2100. Senator Garcia moved that SB 2100 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. Senators Garcia, Hancock, and Huffines submitted motions in writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye on SB 2100; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

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The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1817 and the committee substitute.

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 Estes moved that SB 1817 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1545 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill. Senator Burton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst 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 Estes moved that SB 1545 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1870 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.

Senator Estes moved that SB 1870 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1064 and recognized the author, Senator Nichols, 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 Estes moved that SB 1064 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2027 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Estes moved that SB 2027 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1000 and recognized Senator Garcia, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Garcia sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Garcia to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Estes moved that SB 1000 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2105 and recognized the author, Senator Miles, 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 Estes moved that SB 2105 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 473 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. Senator Rodríguez sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Rodríguez 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 Estes moved that SB 473 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 568 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill. Senator Rodríguez sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Rodríguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

Senator Estes moved that SB 568 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 177 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Van, to explain the bill. Senator Taylor, Van, sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Taylor, Van, 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.

Senator Estes moved that SB 177 be temporarily left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:55 AM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed until 30 minutes after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:55 PM Senator Estes reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 177 and the committee substitute.

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 Estes moved that SB 177 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1588 and recognized the author, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill. Senator Huffines sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Huffines 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 Estes moved that SB 1588 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 4:24 PM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered

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Senator Craig Estes, Chair

Paige McGhee, Clerk