

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Monday, March 25, 2019

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations was held on Monday, March 25, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair  
Senator Charles Schwertner, Vice Chair  
Senator Carol Alvarado  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Pat Fallon  
Senator José Menéndez  
Senator Robert Nichols

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Alvarado, Senator Fallon, and Senator Menéndez.

There was no action taken for the following bill: SB 1142.

The Chair laid out SB 1014 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1014 be opened. 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 SB 1014 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, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in

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writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Schwertner moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1690 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill. Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Perry to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1690 be opened. 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 Schwertner moved that SB 1690 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. 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 SB 1236 and recognized the author, Senator Hall, to explain the bill. Senator Campbell sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Hall to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Campbell moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1236 be opened. 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 Campbell moved that SB 1236 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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 Menéndez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 790 and recognized Senator Schwertner, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 790 be opened. 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 Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 790 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The Chair laid out SB 1099 and recognized Senator Schwertner, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1099 be opened. 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 Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 1099 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 790. Senator Schwertner moved that SB 790 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 submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. 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 SB 1572 and recognized the author, Senator Alvarado, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1572 be opened. 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 Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 1572 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 1303 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1303 be opened. 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 Schwertner moved that SB 1303 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 submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. 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 SB 1304 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1304 be opened. 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 Campbell moved that SB 1304 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 submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Campbell 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 SB 286 and recognized the author, Senator Miles, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 286 be opened. 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 Alvarado moved that SB 286 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 submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Menéndez moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out SB 300 and recognized the author, Senator Miles, to explain the bill. Senator Menéndez sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Miles to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 300 be opened. 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 Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 300 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:19 AM Senator Schwertner moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:31 PM the Chair reconvened the meeting.

The Chair laid out SB 1253 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Menéndez moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1253 be opened. 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 SB 1253 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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 Alvarado submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Fallon 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 SB 452 and recognized the author, Senator Fallon, to explain the bill. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 452 be opened. The Chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Fallon moved that SB 452 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 Alvarado submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye.

At 1:45 PM Senator Schwertner assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out SB 289 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, Jr. to explain the bill. The Chair sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Lucio, Jr. to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 289 be opened. 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 adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 289 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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.

At 2:08 PM Senator Lucio, Jr. resumed the chair.

The Chair laid out SB 1545 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill. Senator Menéndez sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Menéndez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. The Chair moved that public testimony for SB 1545 be opened. 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 Menéndez moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Menéndez moved that SB 1545 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 285. Senator Alvarado sent up a committee substitute. The Chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Alvarado

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moved that SB 285 do not pass but that the committee substitute adopted in lieu thereof 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 Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Nichols submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye.

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 674. Senator Campbell moved that SB 674 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye. Senator Nichols submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye.

The Chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1572. Senator Alvarado moved that SB 1572 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, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Fallon submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting nay. Senator Nichols submitted a motion in writing form requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting nay.

There being no further business, at 2:26 PM the Chair moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair

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Favianna Moreno, Clerk