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SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

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 Wednesday, March 27, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Brian Birdwell, Chair

Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair

Senator Pat Fallon

Senator Peter Flores

Senator Kelly Hancock

Senator Juan Hinojosa

Senator Bryan Hughes

Senator Borris Miles

Senator Angela Paxton

Senator Beverly Powell

Senator José Rodríguez

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present at 9:02 AM, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Judith Zaffirini, Senator Kelly Hancock, Senator Bryan Hughes, Senator Angela Paxton, and Senator Beverly Powell.

Senator Miles moved that testimony be limited to 3 minutes per witness; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 753 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bill. Senator Flores sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Huffman 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 Birdwell moved that SB 753 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1021 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill. Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Seliger 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 bill was temporarily left pending.

At 10:45 AM Senator Birdwell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:15 PM Senator Birdwell reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1021 and the committee substitute. Testimony on SB 1021 continued.

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

Senator Birdwell moved that SB 1021 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1511 and recognized the author, Senator Nichols, to explain the bill. Senator Birdwell moved to waive Senate Rule 3.04 referencing banners and placards. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Nichols 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 Birdwell moved that SB 1511 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1488 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Buckingham 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 Birdwell moved that SB 1488 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 649 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini 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 Birdwell moved that SB 649 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1656 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hancock 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 Birdwell moved that SB 1656 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini moved that testimony be reduced from 3 minutes to 2 minutes per witness; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

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The chair laid out SB 1281 and recognized the author, Senator Birdwell, to explain the bill. Senator Birdwell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Birdwell 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 Zaffirini moved that SB 1281 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 531 and recognized the author, Senator Birdwell, to explain the bill. Senator Birdwell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Birdwell 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 Zaffirini moved that SB 531 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 534 and recognized the author, Senator Birdwell, 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 Zaffirini moved that SB 534 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1993 and recognized the author, Senator Birdwell, to explain the bill. Senator Birdwell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Birdwell 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 Zaffirini moved that SB 1993 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Birdwell assumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 8:28 PM Senator Birdwell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Brian Birdwell, Chair

Paige McGhee, Clerk