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

Wednesday, April 3, 2019
1:30 PM or upon adjournment
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, April 3, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Brian Birdwell, 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:

Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair

The acting chair, Senator Rodríguez, called the meeting to order at 3:39 PM. There being a quorum present at 4:23 PM, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Bryan Hughes.

Senator Powell moved that testimony be limited to 2 minutes per witness; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 1719 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill. Senator Powell sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Lucio 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 Birdwell assumed the chair. Testimony on the bill continued.

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

Senator Birdwell moved that SB 1719 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2309 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, 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 Birdwell moved that SB 2309 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 728 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, 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 Birdwell moved that SB 728 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1850 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 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 1850 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Rodríguez assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1319 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 Rodríguez moved that SB 1319 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1516 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 Rodríguez moved that SB 1516 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Birdwell resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 5:04 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