MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Monday, May 8, 2023 2:00 PM or upon adjournment Press Room

Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development was held on Monday, May 8, 2023, in the Press Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Brian Birdwell, Chair Senator Carol Alvarado Senator César Blanco Senator Kelly Hancock Senator Bryan Hughes Senator Borris Miles Senator Kevin Sparks **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair Senator Lois Kolkhorst

The chair called the meeting to order at 3:54 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Alvarado and Senator Miles.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4964 in lieu of SB 2060.

Senator Hancock moved that HB 4964 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 2 absent.

Senator Hancock 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 HB 1602.

Senator Hancock moved that HB 1602 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 2 absent.

Senator Hancock 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 HB 3060 in lieu of SB 2044.

Senator Hancock moved that HB 3060 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 2 absent.

Senator Hancock 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 HB 2459.

Senator Alvarado moved that HB 2459 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 2 absent.

Senator Alvarado 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 HB 1755 in lieu of SB 592.

Senator Alvarado moved that HB 1755 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 2 absent.

There being no further business, at 3:59 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

Jennifer Trevino, Clerk