

## **MINUTES**

### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Wednesday, April 16, 2025  
12:30 PM or upon adjournment/recess  
Betty King Committee Room

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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 Local Government was held on Wednesday, April 16, 2025, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair  
Senator Mayes Middleton, Vice Chair  
Senator Molly Cook  
Senator Roland Gutierrez  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Angela Paxton  
Senator Royce West

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 467.

Senator Middleton moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Middleton moved that SB 467 do not pass but that CSSB 467 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.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1531.

Senator West moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Gutierrez moved that SB 1531 do not pass but that CSSB 1531 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 Cook 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 2173.

Senator Paxton moved that SB 2173 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 moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 7:37 PM Senator Middleton assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1449.

Senator Paxton moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols moved that SB 1449 do not pass but that CSSB 1449 be reported back 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.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 2529.

Senator Nichols moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Paxton moved that SB 2529 do not pass but that CSSB 2529 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 2538.

Senator Nichols moved that SB 2538 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 Paxton 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 SJR 84.

Senator Nichols moved that SJR 84 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.

At 7:40 PM Senator Bettencourt resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 7:40 PM Senator Bettencourt moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair

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