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SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

Thursday, May 22, 2025 8:00 AM Senate Chamber

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on State Affairs was held on Thursday, May 22, 2025, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Bryan Hughes, Chair
Senator Angela Paxton, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Adam Hinojosa
Senator Mayes Middleton
Senator Tan Parker
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Judith Zaffirini

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:11 AM.

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Bettencourt, Senator Birdwell, Senator Middleton, Senator Parker, Senator Perry, Senator Schwertner, and Senator Zaffirini.

Upon the arrival of Senator Zaffirini a quorum was present. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted.

The chair laid out HB 4281 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair

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moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hughes moved that HB 4281 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3385 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

At 8:51 AM Senator Paxton assumed the chair.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Paxton moved that HB 3385 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2027 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill. Senator Perry sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Campbell 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 Paxton moved that SB 2027 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3053 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hall, to explain the bill. 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 Paxton moved that HB 3053 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2294 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, 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 Paxton moved that HB 2294 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3697 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Paxton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized the sponsor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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 Paxton moved that HB 3697 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 640 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list. The chair moved

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that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Paxton moved that HB 640 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4463 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker, to explain the bill. 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 Paxton moved that HB 4463 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:23 AM Senator Hughes resumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 521 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton, 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 Hughes moved that HB 521 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2253 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton, to explain the bill. 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 Hughes moved that HB 2253 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3133 and recognized Senator Paxton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Paxton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Paxton to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3133 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4995 and recognized Senator Paxton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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 Hughes moved that HB 4995 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4749 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Sparks. Senator Perry moved that HB 4749 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Perry 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 as a matter of pending business HB 621 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Adam Hinojosa. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 621 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Hinojosa 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 3133 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffman. Senator Perry moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Perry moved that HB 3133 do not pass but that CSHB 3133 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Perry 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 201 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 201 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Zaffirini 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 1506 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Phil King. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 1506 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Birdwell 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 2885 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner. Senator Schwertner moved that HB 2885 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. 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 as a matter of pending business HB 272 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 272 be reported favorably to the Senate with

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the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Zaffirini 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 551 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Bettencourt. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 551 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent. Senator Zaffirini moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1234 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hagenbuch, to explain the bill. 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 Hughes moved that HB 1234 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 11:03 AM Senator Hughes moved that the Committee stand recessed until after the adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 5:20 PM Senator Hughes reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out HB 5624 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill. Senator Perry sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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 Hughes moved that HB 5624 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 223 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Middleton, 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 Hughes moved that HB 223 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3709 and recognized Senator Birdwell, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, 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

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ordered. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3709 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 5081 and recognized Senator Schwertner, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. 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 Hughes moved that HB 5081 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 5:48 PM Senator Schwertner assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 3546 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. 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 Schwertner moved that HB 3546 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 493 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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 Schwertner moved that HB 493 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 5115 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, 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 Schwertner moved that HB 5115 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4081 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. 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 Schwertner moved that HB 4081 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 5:58 PM Senator Hughes resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3909 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized the sponsor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house

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bill as engrossed. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3909 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2702 and recognized Senator Middleton, in the absence of the Senate sponsor. Senator Middleton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Middleton to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Hughes moved that HB 2702 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 6:07 PM Senator Schwertner assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 119 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized the sponsor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Schwertner moved that HB 119 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 5138 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized the sponsor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Schwertner moved that HB 5138 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 6:10 PM Senator Hughes resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 186 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Adam Hinojosa. Senator Hall moved that HB 186 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 3 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 229 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Middleton.

Senator Parker moved that HB 229 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 1 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2885 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner. Senator Schwertner moved that HB 2885 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. 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 as a matter of pending business HB 3909 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini. Senator Zaffirini moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 3909 do not pass but that CSHB 3909 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Zaffirini 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 4285 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker. Senator Parker moved that HB 4285 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Parker 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 1661 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Bettencourt. Senator Bettencourt moved that HB 1661 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 1 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2820 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Adam Hinojosa. Senator Parker moved that HB 2820 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 3181 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 3181 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Zaffirini moved that the bill be

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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 4157 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Adam Hinojosa. Senator Parker moved that HB 4157 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 223 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Middleton. Senator Middleton moved that HB 223 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 521 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton. Senator Hall moved that HB 521 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 640 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker. Senator Parker moved that HB 640 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 1234 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hagenbuch. Senator Hall moved that HB 1234 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 2253 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Paxton. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 2253 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be

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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 2294 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 2294 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 3053 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hall. Senator Hall moved that HB 3053 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3697 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Zaffirini. Senator Zaffirini moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 3697 do not pass but that CSHB 3697 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 4281 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock. Senator Schwertner moved that HB 4281 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 4463 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Parker. Senator Parker moved that HB 4463 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 as a matter of pending business HB 4995 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Schwertner. Senator Schwertner moved that HB 4995 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 5081 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Creighton. Senator Birdwell moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 5081 do not pass but that CSHB 5081 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Birdwell 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 5624 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry. Senator Bettencourt moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Bettencourt moved that HB 5624 do not pass but that CSHB 5624 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 6:35 PM Senator Birdwell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 119 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes. Senator Hughes moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hughes moved that HB 119 do not pass but that CSHB 119 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Bettencourt 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 3225 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3225 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 5138 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes. Senator Hughes moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hughes moved that HB 5138 do not pass but that CSHB 5138 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 5115 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 5115 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4081 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes. Senator Hughes moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hughes moved that HB 4081 do not pass but that CSHB 4081 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Hughes 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 3546 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes. Senator Hughes moved that HB 3546 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Hughes 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 493 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hughes moved that HB 493 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 3 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4145 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hughes. Senator Hughes moved that HB 4145 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Hughes moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Bettencourt submitted a Motion in Writing voting aye on the following bills: HB 201, HB 229, HB 272, HB 621, HB 1506, HB 2885, HB 3133, HB 3909, and HB 4749.

Senator Bettencourt submitted a Motion in Writing voting nay on the following bill: HB 186.

Senator Hinojosa submitted a Motion in Writing voting aye on the following bills: HB 119, HB 186, HB 223, HB 229, HB 521, HB 640, HB 1234, HB 1661, HB 2253, HB 2294, HB 2702, HB 2820, HB 2885, HB 3053, HB 3181, HB 3225, HB 3546, HB 3697, HB 3909, HB 4081, HB 4145, HB 4157, HB 4281, HB 4285, HB 4463, HB 4493, HB 4995, HB 5081, HB 5115, HB 5138, and HB 5624.

Senator Middleton submitted a Motion in Writing voting aye on the following bills: HB 201, HB 272, HB 621, HB 1506, HB 3133, and HB 4749.

Senator Paxton submitted a Motion in Writing voting aye on the following bills: HB 119, HB 186, HB 201, HB 223, HB 229, HB 272, HB 493, HB 521, HB 551, HB 621, HB 640, HB 1234, HB 1661, HB 2253, HB 2285, HB 2294, HB 2820, HB 3053, HB 3133, HB 3181, HB 3225, HB 3546, HB 3697, HB 3909, HB 4081, HB 4145, HB 4157, HB 4281, HB 4285, HB 4463, HB 4995, HB 4749, HB 5081, HB 5115, HB 5138, and HB 5624.

At 6:41 PM Senator Hughes resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 6:43 PM Senator Hughes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bryan Hughes, Chair	
Victoria Ross, Clerk	