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SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS

Monday, May 2, 2011

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 Agriculture & Rural Affairs was held on Monday, May 2, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Craig Estes, Chair
Senator Carlos Uresti, Vice Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Glenn Hegar
Senator Mike Jackson

The chair called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HB 1300 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill. Senator Estes moved that HB 1300 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 46 and in the absence of the Senate sponsor, explained the bill. Senator Estes moved that HB 46 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1346 and in the absence of the Senate sponsor, explained the bill. Senator Estes moved that HB 1346 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Carlos Uresti; Senator Juan Hinojosa.

Upon arrival of a quorum, The chair laid out HB 1527 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

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The chair laid out SB 1905 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, 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.

There was no action taken for the following bill(s): HB 413.

The chair laid out HB 1806 and recognized Senator Uresti, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

The chair laid out HB 1322 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

The chair laid out SB 1905. Senator Uresti moved that SB 1905 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Uresti 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 46. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 46 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 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 HB 1300 as pending business. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1300 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 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 1346. Senator Uresti moved that HB 1346 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Uresti moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1322. Senator Uresti moved that HB 1322 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Uresti 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 HB 1527. Senator Uresti moved that HB 1527 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Uresti moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1806. Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1806 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 3 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.

There being no further business, at 3:54 PM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Craig Estes, Chair

Ashley Patton, Clerk