

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Tuesday, April 12, 2011
1:30 PM or upon adjournment
Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Criminal Justice was held on Tuesday, April 12, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator John Whitmire, Chair
Senator Joan Huffman, Vice Chair
Senator John Carona
Senator Rodney Ellis
Senator Glenn Hegar
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Dan Patrick

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:34 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1014. Senator Whitmire sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Davis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Whitmire moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 811 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Whitmire sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Whitmire moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Whitmire moved that SB 811 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1331 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, 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 Whitmire moved that SB 1331 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1024 and recognized the author, Senator Rodriguez, 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 Whitmire moved that SB 1024 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 604 and recognized the author, Senator Rodriguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Ellis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodriguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ellis moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Whitmire moved that SB 604 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1378 and recognized the author, Senator Nichols, 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 Whitmire moved that SB 1378 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 462 and recognized Senator Ellis, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Ellis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ellis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ellis moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Whitmire moved that SB 462 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 903 and recognized the author, Senator Patrick, to explain the bill.

Senator Patrick sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Patrick to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Patrick moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Whitmire moved that SB 903 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 905 and recognized the author, Senator Patrick, 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 Whitmire moved that SB 905 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 838 and recognized the author, Senator Patrick, 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 Whitmire moved that SB 838 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:00 PM Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 880 and recognized the author, Senator Whitmire, 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 Huffman moved that SB 880 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 953 and recognized the author, Senator Whitmire, 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 Huffman moved that SB 953 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 879 and recognized the author, Senator Whitmire, 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 Huffman moved that SB 879 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 878 and recognized the author, Senator Whitmire, 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 Huffman moved that SB 878 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1158 and recognized Senator Ellis, in the absence of the author, 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 Huffman moved that SB 1158 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1687 and recognized the author, Senator Ellis, to explain the bill.

Senator Ellis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ellis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ellis moved that the committee substitute for SB 1687 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Huffman moved that SB 1687 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1681 and recognized the author, Senator Ellis, to explain the bill.

Senator Ellis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ellis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ellis moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Ellis moved that the committee substitute for SB 1681 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Huffman moved that SB 1681 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1076 and recognized the author, Senator Ellis, to explain the bill.

Senator Ellis sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Ellis to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Ellis moved that the committee substitute for SB 1076 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Huffman moved that SB 1076 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ellis assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 687 and recognized Senator Huffman, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Huffman moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Huffman moved that the committee substitute for SB 687 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Ellis moved that SB 687 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 877 and recognized Senator Huffman, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffman sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Huffman moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Huffman moved that the committee substitute for SB 877 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Ellis moved that SB 877 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1522 and recognized Senator Huffman, in the absence of the author, 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 Ellis moved that SB 1522 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1366 and recognized Senator Ellis, in the absence of the author, 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 Huffman moved that SB 1366 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There was no action taken for the following bill(s):
SB 881.

There being no further business, at 5:20 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator John Whitmire, Chair

Michaela Bernacchio, Clerk