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SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

8:00 AM

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 Business & Commerce was held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator John Carona, Chair
Senator Larry Taylor, Vice Chair
Senator Kevin Eltife
Senator Craig Estes
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.
Senator Leticia Van de Putte
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator John Whitmire

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 138 and recognized the author, 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 Carona moved that SB 138 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 228 and recognized the author, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

No persons registered to testify on SB 228. See attached witness list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Carona moved that SB 228 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 112 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

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

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The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Carona moved that SB 112 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 147 and recognized Senator Eltife, 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 Carona moved that SB 147 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 8:36 AM Senator Watson assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 192 and recognized the author, Senator Carona, 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 Watson moved that SB 192 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 230 and recognized the author, Senator Carona, 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 Watson moved that SB 230 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SJR 18 and recognized the author, Senator Carona, 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 Watson moved that SJR 18 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 244 and recognized the author, Senator Carona, 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 Watson moved that SB 244 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Carona moved that SB 192 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 1 absent.

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

Senator Carona moved that SB 230 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 1 absent.

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

At 9:09 AM Senator Carona resumed the chair.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 112 do not pass but that CSSB 112 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

Senator Watson moved that SB 138 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 1 absent.

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

Senator Hancock moved that SB 147 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 1 absent.

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

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 228 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 1 absent.

Senator Lucio, Jr. 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 9:13 AM Senator Carona moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator John Carona, Chair

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