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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE**

Tuesday, April 16, 2013

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

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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 Business & Commerce was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Kevin Eltife

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The chair called the meeting to order at 8:04 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1567 and recognized the author, Senator Davis, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson sent up a committee substitute to SB 1567; the chair recognized Senator Davis 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Senator Carona moved that the committee substitute be withdrawn and that SB 1567 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1715 and recognized the author, Senator Davis, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson sent up a committee substitute to SB 1715; the chair recognized Senator Davis 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Senator Carona moved that the committee substitute be withdrawn and that SB 1715 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1334 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute to SB 1334; the chair recognized Senator Lucio, Jr. 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 Carona moved that the committee substitute be withdrawn and that SB 1334 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1239 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Whitmire sent up a committee substitute to SB 1239; the chair recognized Senator Rodríguez 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 Carona moved that the committee substitute be withdrawn and that SB 1239 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 1506 and recognized the author, Senator Schwertner, 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 1506 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 9:00 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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Troupe Brewer, Clerk