

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS**

Thursday, April 25, 2013

8:30 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

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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 State Affairs was held on Thursday, April 25, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Robert Duncan, Chair  
Senator Bob Deuell, Vice Chair  
Senator Rodney Ellis  
Senator Troy Fraser  
Senator Joan Huffman  
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Leticia Van de Putte  
Senator Tommy Williams

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1254 by Davis.

Senator Deuell 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 Deuell moved that SB 1254 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1436 and recognized the author, 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 Deuell moved that SB 1436 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 644 and SB 1216 concurrently and recognized Senator Eltife to explain the bills.

Senator Deuell sent up a committee substitute to SB 644; the chair recognized Senator Eltife to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Deuell sent up a committee substitute to SB 1216; the chair recognized Senator Eltife to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bills are shown on the attached list.

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

Senator Deuell moved that SB 644 and SB 1216 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 200 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Ellis, 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 HB 200 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:24 AM Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1186 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan, 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 Duncan moved that HB 1186 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1187 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Duncan, 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 Duncan moved that HB 1187 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:36 AM Senator Duncan resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 200 sponsored by Ellis.

Senator Ellis moved that HB 200 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 0 absent.

At 9:37 AM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1186 sponsored by Duncan.

Senator Duncan moved that HB 1186 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 0 absent.

Senator Duncan 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 1187 sponsored by Duncan.

Senator Duncan moved that HB 1187 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 0 absent.

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

At 9:39 AM Senator Duncan resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 200 sponsored by Ellis.

Senator Deuell moved to reconsider the vote by which HB 200 was reported favorably; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Ellis moved that HB 200 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 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 554 by Campbell.

Senator Williams moved that SB 554 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, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

At 9:47 AM Senator Duncan moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, Senator Duncan reconvened the meeting at 1:15 PM at his desk.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 644 by Huffman.

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 SB 644 do not pass but that CSSB 644 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 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1216 by Eltife.

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

Senator Deuell moved that SB 1216 do not pass but that CSSB 1216 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 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1436 by Paxton.

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 SB 1436 do not pass but that CSSB 1436 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 0 absent.

There being no further business, at 1:19 PM Senator Duncan moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Robert Duncan, Chair

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Kayli Ragsdale, Clerk