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SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Education was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Sylvia Garcia
Senator Don Huffines
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator José Rodríguez
Senator Kel Seliger
Senator Van Taylor
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 161 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Rodríguez sent up a committee substitute; 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.

Roll was taken at 9:30 AM, a quorum was present.

Senator Larry Taylor moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Larry Taylor moved that witnesses registering not wishing to testify not be read but recorded into the record; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor moved that CSSB 161 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1216 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

Senator Bettencourt sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Bettencourt to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Larry Taylor 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 Larry Taylor moved that CSSB 1216 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:59 AM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 5:06 PM Senator Rodríguez reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out SB 507 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Larry Taylor assumed the chair.

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

The chair moved that the public testimony be reopen; 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 Larry Taylor moved that SB 507 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 215 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

Senator Campbell sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Campbell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Larry Taylor 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 Larry Taylor moved that CSSB 215 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1302 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill.

Senator Campbell sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Menendez 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 Larry Taylor moved that SB 1302 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Roll was called at 7:45 PM, a quorum was present.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 507.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that SB 507 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 3 absent.

The chair laid out SB 1169 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

Senator Campbell sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Campbell 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 Campbell moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell moved that SB 1169 do not pass but that CSSB 1169 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 5 absent.

The chair laid out SB 996 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Van, 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 Larry Taylor moved that SB 996 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 8:24 PM Senator Larry Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair

Nicole Sunstrum, Clerk

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