

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Monday, April 3, 2023

9:00 AM

Betty King Committee Room

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 Monday, April 3, 2023, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair
Senator Phil King, Vice Chair
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Nathan Johnson
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator José Menéndez
Senator Mayes Middleton
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:12 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator King assumed the chair.

The Chair laid out CSSB 6 by Senator Schwertner as a matter of pending business. Senator Schwertner moved to withdraw the previous committee substitute that was considered at the March 23, 2023 Hearing. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner sent up a new

committee substitute to SB 6. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner moved that SB 6 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out CSJR 1 by Senator Schwertner as a matter of pending business. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner moved that CSJR 1 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out CSSB 7 by Senator Schwertner as a matter of pending business. Senator Schwertner moved to withdraw the previous committee substitute that was considered at the March 23, 2023 Hearing. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner sent up a new committee substitute to SB 7. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner moved that SB 7 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The Chair laid out CSSB 2012 by Senator Schwertner as a matter of pending business. Senator Schwertner moved to withdraw the previous committee substitute that was considered at the March 23, 2023 Hearing. Without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner sent up a new committee substitute to SB 2012. The Chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Schwertner moved that SB 2012 do not pass but the committee substitute do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 9:42 AM, the Chair moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair

Annika Vandayar, Clerk