

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Monday, April 3, 2023

10:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Monday, April 3, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Pete Flores
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Bryan Hughes
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair made opening remarks.

The chair laid out SB 267 and recognized the author, Senator King, to explain the bill.

Senator Hinojosa sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator King 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.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 952 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry 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.

The chair laid out SB 1614 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Senator Perry sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry 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.

The chair laid out SB 2280 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, 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.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1053 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, 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.

The chair laid out SB 2315 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, 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 Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 19 and SJR 5 and recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bills.

Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute to SB 19. The chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Huffman sent up a committee substitute to SJR 5. The chair recognized Senator Huffman 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.

The chair laid out SB 2289 and SJR 87 recognized the author, Senator Huffman, to explain the bills.

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 Huffman resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2310 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, 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.

The chair laid out SB 1022 and recognized the author, Senator Nichols, 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.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1232 and recognized the author, Senator Nichols, 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.

The bill was left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1854 and recognized Senator Creighton, 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.

At 11:55 AM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Pursuant to a motion made by Senator Huffman, to suspend Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, the Senate Committee on Finance reconvened in the Senate Press Room, 2E.9, at 4:55 PM.

The chair laid out SB 952 by Senator Perry.

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

Senator Huffman moved that SB 952 do not pass but that CSSB 952 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 1053 by Senator Hughes.

Senator Hughes moved that SB 1053 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 1614 by Senator Perry.

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

Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1614 do not pass but that CSSB 1614 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 1854 by Senator Paxton.

Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1854 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

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

The chair laid out SB 2310 by Senator Hinojosa.

Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 2310 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 2315 by Senator Hughes.

Senator Hughes moved that SB 2315 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 16 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 19 by Senator Huffman.

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

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 19 do not pass but that CSSB 19 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SJR 5 by Senator Huffman.

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

Senator Zaffirini moved that SJR 5 do not pass but that CSSJR 5 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SB 2289 by Senator Huffman.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 2289 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out SJR 87 by Senator Huffman.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SJR 87 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 506.

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

Senator Perry moved that SB 506 do not pass but that CSSB 506 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 17 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Paxton submitted a motion in writing asking to be shown voting aye on SB 952.

Senator Perry submitted a motion in writing asking to be shown voting aye on SB 952, SB 1053 SB 1614, SB 1854, SB 2310 and SB 2315.

There being no further business, at 5:05 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk