

MINUTES

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES & ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

Monday, April 17, 2023
12:00 PM or upon adjournment
Press Room

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development was held on Monday, April 17, 2023, in the Press Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Brian Birdwell, Chair
Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair
Senator Carol Alvarado
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Bryan Hughes
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Borris Miles
Senator Kevin Sparks

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator César Blanco

The chair called the meeting to order at 5:18 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 720.

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

Senator Birdwell moved that SB 720 do not pass but that CSSB 720 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

Minutes

Monday, April 17, 2023

Page 2

Senator Zaffirini 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 SB 1399.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Schwertner to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1399 do not pass but that CSSB 1399 be reported back 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 1 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 SB 813.

Senator Miles moved that SB 813 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 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1529.

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

Senator Miles moved that SB 1529 do not pass but that CSSB 1529 be reported back 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 1 absent.

Senator Miles 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 SB 1050.

Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

Minutes

Monday, April 17, 2023

Page 3

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

Senator Hughes moved that SB 1050 do not pass but that CSSB 1050 be reported back 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 1 absent.

Senator Hughes 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 SB 1985.

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

Senator Hughes moved that SB 1985 do not pass but that CSSB 1985 be reported back 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 1 absent.

Senator Hughes 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 SB 2325.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 2325 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 1 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 SB 1451.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development

Minutes

Monday, April 17, 2023

Page 4

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1451 do not pass but that CSSB 1451 be reported back 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 1 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 SB 1837.

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1837 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 1 absent.

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

At 5:27 PM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1419.

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

Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1419 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 5:29 PM Senator Birdwell resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 5:30 PM Senator Birdwell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Brian Birdwell, Chair

David Estrada, Clerk