

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION K-16

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

8:00 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 K-16 was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair
Senator Donna Campbell, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brent Hagenbuch
Senator Adam Hinojosa
Senator Phil King
Senator José Menéndez
Senator Mayes Middleton
Senator Tan Parker
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:19 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Mayes Middleton
Senator Tan Parker
Senator Phil King

The chair laid out SCR 5 and recognized the author, Senator Eckhardt, 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 Creighton moved that SCR 5 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 57 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, 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 Creighton moved that SB 57 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 568 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Campbell assumed the chair.

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

Senator Menéndez assumed the chair.

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Senator Campbell moved that SB 568 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1447 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, 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 Campbell moved that SB 1447 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:41 AM Senator Campbell moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 12:49 PM Senator Creighton reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out SB 24 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

Senator Bettencourt 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 Bettencourt moved the 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 Creighton moved that SB 24 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 1:40 PM Senator Creighton moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.



Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair



Carmen Fish, Clerk