

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION K-16

Thursday, May 1, 2025

10:00 AM or upon adjournment

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 Thursday, May 1, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Donna Campbell, Vice Chair
Senator Brent Hagenbuch
Senator Adam Hinojosa
Senator Phil King
Senator José Menéndez
Senator Tan Parker
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Mayes Middleton

Senator Donna Campbell, the acting chair, called the meeting to order at 1:46 PM. The following business was transacted:

The posting rule, Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, was suspended to hear the following bill:
Senate Bill 1414 by Senator Zaffirini

The chair laid out SB 1414 and recognized Senator King, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Paxton assumed the chair.

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 Paxton moved that SB 1414 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1716 and recognized Senator King, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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

No witnesses testified on the bill.

Witnesses 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 Paxton moved that SB 1716 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 203 and recognized the author, Senator Menéndez, to explain the bill.

No witnesses testified on the bill.

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

Senator Paxton moved that SB 203 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 750 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 Paxton moved that SB 750 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2995 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

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

No witnesses testified on the bill.

Witnesses 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 Paxton moved that SB 2995 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1679 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 Paxton moved that SB 1679 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

A quorum was established at 2:52 PM.

The chair laid out SB 2430 and recognized Senator Hagenbuch, 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.

Senator Paxton moved that SB 2430 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 2:58 PM Senator King moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carmen Fish". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Carmen Fish, Clerk