

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

9:00 AM

Betty King Committee Room

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Jurisprudence was held on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Bryan Hughes, Chair  
Senator Nathan Johnson, Vice Chair  
Senator Brandon Creighton  
Senator Juan Hinojosa  
Senator Mayes Middleton

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Creighton.

Senator Middleton moved adoption of the committee rules. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:07 AM Senator Johnson assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 711 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 Johnson moved that SB 711 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 942 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 Johnson moved that SB 942 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1448 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 Johnson moved that SB 1448 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1403 and recognized Senator Creighton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Johnson sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Creighton 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. Senator Johnson moved that SB 1403 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1404 and recognized Senator Creighton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Creighton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Creighton 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. Senator Johnson moved that SB 1404 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1559 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. Senator Johnson moved that SB 1559 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 746 and recognized Senator Creighton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Johnson sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Creighton 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. Senator Johnson moved that SB 746 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1536 and recognized Senator Creighton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Johnson sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator

Creighton 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. Senator Johnson moved that SB 1536 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 9:53 AM Senator Johnson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Bryan Hughes, Chair

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Victoria Ross, Clerk