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SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.016

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Transportation was held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.016, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Robert Nichols, Chair
Senator Royce West, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brent Hagenbuch
Senator Juan Hinojosa
Senator Nathan Johnson
Senator Phil King
Senator Borris Miles
Senator Charles Perry

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1351 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, Adam, 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 Nichols moved that SB 1351 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 215 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. 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 Nichols moved that SB 215 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2245 and recognized the author, Senator West, 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 Nichols moved that SB 2245 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1568 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini 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 Nichols moved that SB 1568 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2589 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill. Senator Hinojosa sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini 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 Nichols moved that SB 2589 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1104 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. Senator Hagenbuch sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hughes 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 Nichols moved that SB 1104 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1423 and recognized the author, Senator Hughes, to explain the bill. No witnesses registered or testified on the bill. The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nichols moved that SB 1423 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The roll was called, and a quorum was established.

The chair laid out SB 2707 and recognized the author, Senator Hagenbuch, 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 Nichols moved that SB 2707 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2807 and recognized the author, Senator Hagenbuch, 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 Nichols moved that SB 2807 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1931 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy", 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 Nichols moved that SB 1931 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1351, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Miles moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Miles moved that SB 1351 do not pass but that CSSB 1351 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. 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 SB 1423, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Miles moved that SB 1423 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1568, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Miles moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Miles moved that SB 1568 do not pass but that CSSB 1568 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so

ordered. 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 SB 1931, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1931 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. 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 2245, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Miles moved that SB 2245 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. 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 2589, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up earlier in the hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 2589 do not pass but that CSSB 2589 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. 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 2707, which had been left pending earlier in the hearing. Senator Hagenbuch moved that SB 2707 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hagenbuch moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

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that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator West, Senator King and Senator Perry requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2841, which had been left pending at a previous hearing. Senator Hinojosa moved adoption of a committee substitute sent up at a previous hearing; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 2841 do not pass but that CSSB 2841 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 West and Senator King requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hinojosa moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 9:06 AM Senator Nichols moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Robert Nichols, Chair

Amy Jeter, Clerk