

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Pete Flores
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Bryan Hughes
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Donna Campbell

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Huffman made opening remarks.

Senator Huffman laid out SB 1. Testimony was heard on SB 1 – Article VIII. Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Public Utility Commission
Office of Public Utility Counsel
Department of Insurance

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

At 10:48 AM Senator Hinojosa moved that the Committee stand in recess.

At 2:09 PM the Committee reconvened.

Department of Licensing and Regulation
Racing Commission
Office of Public Insurance Counsel
Office of Injured Employee Counsel
Board of Chiropractic Examiners
State Office of Administrative Hearings

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

Texas Medical Board
Texas Board of Nursing
Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners
Board of Dental Examiners
Optometry Board
Health Professions Council
Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
Board of Pharmacy
Behavioral Health Executive Council
Securities Board
Funeral Service Commission
Board of Plumbing Examiners
Board of Professional Geoscientists
Special Provisions Relating to All Regulatory Agencies

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

Senator Huffman moved that SB 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 6:19 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk