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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, RURAL AFFAIRS & HOMELAND SECURITY**

Monday, April 15, 2013  
2:30 PM or upon adjournment  
Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

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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 Agriculture, Rural Affairs & Homeland Security was held on Monday, April 15, 2013, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

The posting rule, Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, was suspended to hear SCR 15 by Senator Uresti.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Craig Estes, Chair  
Senator Carlos Uresti, Vice Chair  
Senator Glenn Hegar  
Senator Charles Schwertner

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Juan Hinojosa

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The chair called the meeting to order at 4:07 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1704 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

Senator Estes sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Lucio to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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.

The committee substitute was withdrawn. Senator Estes moved that SB 1704 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 523 and SB 524 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain both bills. Senator Estes sent up a committee substitute for SB 524; the chair recognized Senator Rodríguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Witnesses testifying and registering on both bills are shown on the attached list.

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

Senator Estes moved that SB 523 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The committee substitute to SB 524 was withdrawn. Senator Estes moved that SB 524 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1070 and recognized the author, Senator Hegar, to explain the bill.

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

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.

The committee substitute was withdrawn. Senator Estes moved that SB 1070 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1432 and recognized Senator Schwertner, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill. Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Schwertner 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.

The committee substitute was withdrawn. Senator Estes moved that SB 1432 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 1010 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, to explain the bill. Senator Estes sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Taylor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

The committee substitute was withdrawn. Senator Estes moved that SB 1010 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SCR 15 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Estes moved that SCR 15 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 4:54 PM Senator Estes moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Craig Estes, Chair

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Gretchen Essell, Clerk