

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Wednesday, May 20, 2015
3:00 PM or upon adjournment
E1.714

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Administration was held on Wednesday, May 20, 2015, in the E1.714.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair
Senator Carlos Uresti, Vice Chair
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Kevin Eltife
Senator Don Huffines
Senator Royce West

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Charles Schwertner

The chair called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out HCR 62 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that HCR 62 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Uresti moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1074 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Creighton, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffines moved that HB 1074 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Huffines moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2407 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill. rob

Rob Johnson, representing Self, registered in favor of the bill but did not testify.

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

Senator Campbell moved that HB 2407 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Campbell moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4183 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell moved that HB 4183 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Campbell moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4199 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that HB 4199 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Eltife moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2280 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill.

Senator Eltife sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Eltife to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator Eltife moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

John Hawkins, representing SVP, Government Relations, Texas Hospital Association, registered in favor of the bill but did not testify.

Senator Eltife moved that HB 2280 do not pass but that CSHB 2280 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Eltife moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 76 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that HCR 76 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Uresti moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 81 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that HCR 81 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Uresti moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 4207 and recognized Senator Eltife, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 77 and recognized Senator West, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West moved that HCR 77 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator West moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 78 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill.

Skip Ogle, representing Self, registered in favor of the bill but did not testify.

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

Senator Huffines moved that HCR 78 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Huffines moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 94 and recognized Senator Uresti, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that HCR 94 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Uresti moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2290 and recognized Senator Eltife, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Skip Ogle, representing Self, registered in favor of the bill but did not testify.

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

Senator Eltife moved that HB 2290 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Eltife moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 104 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffines moved that HCR 104 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Huffines moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 105 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffines moved that HCR 105 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Huffines moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HCR 106 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill.

There being no witnesses wishing to testify, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffines moved that HCR 106 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Huffines moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:36 PM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2206 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

Senator Hancock sent up Committee Amendment 1 and moved adoption; without objection, the amendment was adopted.

James Bayless, representing State Cemetery Committee, testified in opposition to the bill.

Scott Sayers, representing Charman- Texas State Cemetery Committee, testified in opposition to the bill.

John Sneed, representing Executive Director of the State Preservation Board, testified on the bill.

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

Senator Hancock requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into the bill to create a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that HB 2206 do not pass but that CSHB 2206 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Hancock moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3777 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Hancock to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the house bill as engrossed. Senator West moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

T.J. Patterson, representing City of Fort Worth, registered in favor of the bill but did not testify.

Nancy Amos, representing Senior Vice President, Fort Worth Transportation Authority, registered in favor of the bill but did not testify.

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

Senator Hancock moved that HB 3777 do not pass but that CSHB 3777 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Hancock moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:48 PM Senator Hancock resumed the chair.

The chair laid out the list of bills recommended for placement on the Local and Uncontested Calendar to be held on May 22nd, 2015 at 8:30 AM.

Senator Uresti moved that the list of bills recommended for placement on the Local and Uncontested Calendar to be held on May 22nd, 2015 at 8:30 AM be certified. Without objection it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:51 PM Senator Eltife moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair

Whitney Broughton, Clerk