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### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

Thursday, May 14, 2015

8:30 AM

Extension Auditorium, E1.004

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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 Intergovernmental Relations was held on Thursday, May 14, 2015, in the Extension Auditorium, E1.004.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair  
Senator Paul Bettencourt, Vice Chair  
Senator Donna Campbell  
Senator Sylvia Garcia  
Senator José Menéndez  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Larry Taylor

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senators Nichols, Campbell and Menendez.

The chair laid out HB 973 and recognized the sponsor Senator Garcia to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and/or 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 Garcia moved that HB 973 be reported back to the full 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 Menendez submitted a motion in writing form indicating to vote aye. Senator Garcia moved that

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

The chair laid out HB 648 and recognized the sponsor Hancock 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 Campbell moved that HB 648 be reported back to the full 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 Menendez submitted a motion in writing form indicting to vote aye. 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 3333 and recognized the sponsor Hancock 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 Bettencourt moved that HB 3333 be reported back to the full 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 Menendez submitted a motion in writing form indicting to vote aye. 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 HB 3220 and recognized the sponsor Senator Hinojosa 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 Garcia moved that be reported back to the full 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 Menendez submitted a motion in writing form indicating to vote aye. Senator Garcia moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 1436 and recognized the sponsor Senator Lucio to explain the bill. Witnesses testifying and/or 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 Lucio moved that HB 1436 be reported back to the full 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 Menendez submitted a motion in writing form indicating to vote aye. Senator Garcia moved that

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

The chair laid out HB 1062 and recognized the sponsor Senator Lucio, Jr., 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 Lucio, Jr. moved that be reported back to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 1 nays, 0 present not voting and 1 absent. Senator Menendez submitted a motion in writing form indicating to vote aye.

The chair laid out HB 1790 and recognized the sponsor Senator Lucio, Jr., 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 Lucio moved that be reported back to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 1 nays, 0 present not voting and 1 absent. Senator Menendez submitted a motion in writing form indicating to vote aye.

Senator Lucio assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2070 and recognized its author Senator Campbell 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 Campbell moved that SB 2070 be reported back to the full 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 moved that SB 2070 be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2071 and recognized the sponsor Senator Campbell 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 Campbell moved that be reported back to the full 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 Campbell moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2073 and recognized the author Senator Campbell 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 Campbell moved that

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

The chair laid out SB 2074 and recognized the author Senator Campbell 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 Campbell moved that SB 2074 be reported back to the full 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 Garcia submitted a motion in writing form indicating to vote aye. 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 1643 and recognized Senator Nichols to explain the bill for its sponsor Senator Creighton. 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. Senator Nichols moved that HB 1643 be reported back to the full 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 Garcia submitted a motion in writing form indicating to vote aye.

The chair laid out SB 2022 and recognized the author Senator Campbell to explain the bill. The Senator Campbell the committee substitute to explained the difference between the bill and the committee substitute. There being no witnesses, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell moved that the committee substitute be adopted; there being no objection, the substitute was adopted. Senator Campbell moved that SB 2022 be reported back to the full senate with the recommendation that it do not pass but that the committee substitute for SB 2022 be reported back with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present no voting and 2 absent. Senator Garcia submitted motion in writing forms indicating to vote aye. Senator Campbell moved that the committee substitute be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt assumed the chair.

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The chair laid out SB 2016 and recognized the author Senator Lucio to explain the bill. There being no witnesses, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Lucio moved that SB 2016 be reported back to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting and 3 absent.

The chair laid out HB 1186 and recognized the sponsor Lucio 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 Lucio moved that HB 1186 be reported back to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting and 3 absent. Senator Lucio moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Bettencourt assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1499 and recognized the author Senator Lucio to explain the bill. There being no witnesses, the chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Lucio moved that SB 1499 be reported back to the full 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.

There being no further business, Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair

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Donna Chatham, Clerk

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