MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Thursday, May 14, 2015 4:30 PM or upon adjournment Betty King Committee Room

Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10, 11.13, and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Health & Human Services was held on Thursday, May 14, 2015, in the Betty King Committee Room at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Vice Chair Senator Donna Campbell Senator Craig Estes Senator Charles Perry Senator José Rodríguez Senator Van Taylor Senator Carlos Uresti Senator Judith Zaffirini

The chair called the meeting to order at 4:42 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 479.

Senator Perry moved that HB 479 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 3 absent.

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

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 819.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 819 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

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

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1217.

Senator Uresti moved that HB 1217 be reported favorably 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 Schwertner moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1550.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1550 be reported favorably 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 Schwertner moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2079.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 2079 be reported favorably 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 Schwertner moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2430.

Senator Uresti moved that HB 2430 be reported favorably 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 Schwertner moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSHB 2463.

Senator Campbell sent up Committee Amendment #2 and was recognized to explain the amendment. Senator Campbell moved to withdraw Committee Amendment #2; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell moved that HB 2463 do not pass but that CSHB 2463 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.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3823.

Senator Rodríguez moved that HB 3823 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 Schwertner moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:48 PM Senator Kolkhorst assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1212.

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

Senator Estes moved that HB 1212 do not pass but that CSHB 1212 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.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1309.

Senator Schwertner moved that HB 1309 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 Kolkhorst moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 4001.

Senator Estes moved that HB 4001 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 Kolkhorst moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:53 PM Senator Schwertner resumed the chair.

Senator Schwertner moved to reconsider the vote by which CSHB 2463 was reported favorably to the Senate; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Schwertner moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Campbell moved that HB 2463 do not pass but that CSHB 2463 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.

There being no further business, at 4:56 PM Senator Schwertner moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Charles Schwertner, Chair

Meagan Kirby, Clerk