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JOINT COMMITTEE ON CRUISE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, August 25, 2016

10:00 AM

Corpus Christi, TX (see below)

Pursuant to SCR 9 and HCR 56, a public hearing of the Joint Committee on Cruise Industry Development was held on Thursday, August 25, 2016, in Corpus Christi, TX (see below).

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Todd Hunter, Co-Chair
Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Co-Chair
Representative Eddie Lucio III, Vice Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Representative Wayne Faircloth
Representative Wayne Smith
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.
Senator Larry Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Ed Thompson
Representative Senfronia Thompson
Representative Hubert Vo
Senator Joan Huffman

Co-chair Senator Lois Kolkhorst called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Co-Chair Kolkhorst made opening remarks. Senator Kolkhorst recognized Co-Chair Hunter and other committee members to make opening remarks.

Co-Chair Kolkhorst laid out the joint committee rules. Co-Chair Hunter moved their adoption. There being no objection, the joint committee rules were adopted.

The following members arrived after the roll was called:
Representative Wayne Smith

Co-Chair Kolkhorst called panel one to provide invited testimony on the opinions of local mayors on the development of a cruise terminal in south Texas (see attached witness list).

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Co-Chair Kolkhorst called panel two to provide invited testimony on the opinions of local county judges on the development of a cruise terminal in south Texas (see attached witness list).

Co-Chair Kolkhorst called panel three to provide invited testimony on the opinions of local port officials and consultants on the development of a cruise terminal in south Texas (see attached witness list).

Co-Chair Kolkhorst called panel four to provide invited testimony on the opinions of the travel and tourism industry on the development of a cruise terminal in south Texas (see attached witness list).

Co-Chair Kolkhorst called panel five to provide invited testimony on the opinions of local chambers of commerce on the development of a cruise terminal in south Texas (see attached witness list).

Co-Chair Kolkhorst called panel six to provide invited testimony on the opinions of local economic development corporations on the development of a cruise terminal in south Texas (see attached witness list).

Co-Chair Kolkhorst invited members of the public to testify on the development of a cruise terminal in South Texas (see attached witness list).

Co-Chair Hunter made closing remarks and thanked committee staff. Co-Chair Hunter recognized Co-Chair Kolkhorst and other committee members to make closing remarks.

There being no further business to come before the committee and upon a motion by Senator Hinojosa, Co-Chair Kolkhorst recessed the hearing at 1:41PM subject to the call of the Co-Chair(s).

Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Co-Chair

Representative Todd Hunter, Co-Chair

Benjamin Barkley , Clerk