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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

9:00 AM

Senate Chamber

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Health & Human Services was held on Tuesday, March 29, 2011, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Senator Bob Deuell, Vice Chair

Senator Joan Huffman

Senator Robert Nichols

Senator Dan Patrick

Senator Jose Rodriguez

Senator Carlos Uresti

Senator Royce West

Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

At 9:02 AM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 967 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 967 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:04 AM Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 293 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

Senator Deuell sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Watson 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.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 293 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Deuell moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Deuell moved that SB 293 do not pass but that CSSB 293 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.

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

At 9:17 AM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 7 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Nelson 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.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 7 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Nelson moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson moved that SB 7 do not pass but that CSSB 7 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.

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

The chair laid out SB 8 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Nelson sent up Committee Amendment 1.

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 Deuell moved that SB 8 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Nelson moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson moved adoption of Committee Amendment 1; without objection, the amendment was adopted. Senator Nelson requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendment into the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson then moved that the new committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson moved that SB 8 do not pass but that CSSB 8 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.

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

The chair laid out SB 620 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Nelson 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.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 620 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Nelson moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson moved that SB 620 do not pass but that CSSB 620 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.

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

The chair laid out SB 223 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Nelson 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.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 223 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered. Upon arrival of a quorum, Senator Nelson moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson moved that SB 223 do not pass but that CSSB 223 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.

Senator Nelson 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 SB 797 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 797 do not pass but that CSSB 797 which was previously adopted 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.

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

At 10:45 AM Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

At 10:46 AM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

At 10:47 AM Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

At 10:48 AM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:45 PM Senator Deuell reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out SB 709 and recognized the author, Senator Van de Putte, to explain the bill.

Senator Deuell sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Van de Putte 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.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 709 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 613 and recognized the author, Senator Rodriguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Rodriguez sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Rodriguez 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.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 613 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 993 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, to explain the bill.

Senator Uresti sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Uresti 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.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 933 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1154 and recognized the author, Senator Uresti, 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 Deuell moved that SB 1154 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 2:53 PM Senator Uresti assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 434 and recognized Senator Deuell, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Deuell sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Deuell 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.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 434 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 717 and recognized Senator Deuell, in the absence of the author, 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.

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Senator Uresti moved that SB 717 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:00 PM Senator Deuell assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 681 and recognized Senator Rodriguez, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Rodriguez sent up Committee Amendment 1.

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 Deuell moved that SB 681 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 3:14 PM Senator Deuell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Mason Moses, Clerk