

**MINUTES**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON REDISTRICTING, SELECT**

Friday, May 13, 2011

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

\*\*\*\*\*

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Redistricting, Select was held on Friday, May 13, 2011, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

\*\*\*\*\*

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Kel Seliger, Chair  
Senator Mario Gallegos, Jr., Vice Chair  
Senator John Carona  
Senator Kevin Eltife  
Senator Craig Estes  
Senator Troy Fraser  
Senator Juan Hinojosa  
Senator Joan Huffman  
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.  
Senator Dan Patrick  
Senator Carlos Uresti  
Senator Jeff Wentworth  
Senator Tommy Williams  
Senator Judith Zaffirini

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Royce West

\*\*\*\*\*

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:06 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Gallegos assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 31 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, to explain the bill.

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

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

Senator Seliger sent up Committee Amendment 2 and moved adoption; the motion failed with a record vote of 6 ayes, 7 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Seliger resumes the chair.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. sent up Committee Amendment 3 and moved adoption; the motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 1 nay, 2 present not voting, and 2 absent.

Senator Watson made remarks on Committee Amendment 2.

Senator Gallegos moved to reconsider the vote by which Committee Amendment 3 was adopted. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Gallegos pulled down Committee Amendment 3. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Fraser sent up Committee Amendment 4. Senator Fraser pulled down Committee Amendment 4. Without objection it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up Committee Amendment 5. Senator Lucio pulled down Committee Amendment 5. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Gallegos, Jr. sent up Committee Amendment 6 and moved adoption; the motion failed with a record vote of 3 ayes, 10 nays, 1 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Fraser sent up Committee Amendment 7 and moved adoption; the motion carried with a record vote of 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Zaffirini sent up Committee Amendment 8 and moved adoption; the motion failed with a record vote of 5 ayes, 9 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Davis made remarks on Committee Amendment 8 and Committee Amendment 9.

Senator Zaffirini sent up Committee Amendment 9 and moved adoption; the motion failed with a record vote of 5 ayes, 9 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Carona requested unanimous consent to incorporate Committee Amendment 1 and Committee Amendment 7 into the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Carona then moved that the new committee substitute be adopted. The motion carried with a record vote of 13 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senators Uresti, Zaffirini, Lucio, and Gallegos made remarks.

Senator Patrick moved that SB 31 do not pass but that CSSB 31 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 13 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 150. Senator Seliger explained the bill.

Senator Fraser moved that HB 150 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 2 nays, 2 present not voting, and 1 absent.

There being no further business, at 9:44 AM Senator Gallegos moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

---

Senator Kel Seliger, Chair

---

Stephanie R. Hoover, Clerk