

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & HOMELAND SECURITY

Thursday, May 12, 2011

1:30 PM or upon adjournment

Senator Williams's Desk

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Pursuant to suspension of Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security was held on Thursday, May 12, 2011, at Senator Williams's Desk.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Tommy Williams, Chair  
Senator Kirk Watson, Vice Chair  
Senator Wendy Davis  
Senator Rodney Ellis  
Senator Chris Harris  
Senator Juan Hinojosa  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Florence Shapiro  
Senator Jeff Wentworth

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 1:46 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Juan Hinojosa  
Senator Florence Shapiro  
Senator Jeff Wentworth

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 109 and recognized Senator Williams, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

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Senator Watson moved that HB 109 do not pass but that CSHB 109 be reported back 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 Watson assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 423 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

Senator Williams moved that HB 423 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 Williams moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Williams assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 555 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson moved that HB 555 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 Watson 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 630 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nichols, to explain the bill.

Senator Nichols moved that HB 630 do not pass but that CSHB 630 be reported back 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 Nichols moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1148 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hinojosa, to explain the bill.

Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 1148 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 Hinojosa moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1353 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Williams, to explain the bill.

Senator Williams moved that HB 1353 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 Williams moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Williams assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 3208.

Senator Watson moved that HB 3208 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 Watson 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 3510.

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

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

Senator Hinojosa moved that HB 3510 do not pass but that CSHB 3510 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 SB 513 and recognized the author, Senator Ellis, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Ellis moved that SB 513 do not pass but that CSSB 513 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 5 ayes, 4 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Davis asked to be shown voting aye for: HB 3510.

There being no further business, at 2:03 PM Senator Williams moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Tommy Williams, Chair

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Tulsi Reddy, Clerk