

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, March 19, 2013

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 19, 2013, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Senator Bob Deuell, Vice Chair

Senator Joan Huffman

Senator Robert Nichols

Senator Charles Schwertner

Senator Larry Taylor

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 9:03 AM Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 949 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 949 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1058 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, 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 Nelson moved that SB 1058 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1060 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 moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 1060 do not pass but that CSSB 1060 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 949 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 949 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 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 1058 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 1058 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 Nelson moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 9:20 AM Senator Nelson resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 360 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, 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 360 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 Deuell moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 519 and recognized the author, Senator Deuell, to explain the bill.

Witnesses 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 519 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 Deuell moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 534 and recognized the author, Senator West, to explain the bill.

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

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 West moved that SB 534 do not pass but that CSSB 534 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 West moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 492 and recognized the author, Senator Lucio, to explain the bill.

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

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 492 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 537 and recognized the author, Senator Deuell, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 537 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:49 AM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 1:47 PM Senator Nelson reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 537.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 303 and recognized the author, Senator Deuell, 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. Senator Deuell moved committee substitute be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair laid out SB 675 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony for SB 303 be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair moved that the public testimony for SB 675 be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 303 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nelson moved that SB 675 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 492.

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

Senator Uresti requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendments into a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Uresti then moved that the committee substitute be adopted; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Uresti moved that SB 492 do not pass but that CSSB 492 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.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 502 and recognized the author, Senator West.

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

Senator West moved that SB 502 do not pass but that CSSB 502 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 West 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 537 and recognized the author, Senator Deuell.

Senator Deuell moved that SB 537 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, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

There being no further business, at 5:00 PM Senator Nelson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Jane Nelson, Chair

Michael Baca, Clerk