MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, WATER & RURAL AFFAIRS

Monday, May 4, 2015 2:00 PM or upon adjournment Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs was held on Monday, May 4, 2015, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Senator Charles Perry, Chair Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair Senator Brandon Creighton Senator Bob Hall Senator Juan Hinojosa Senator Lois Kolkhorst Senator José Rodríguez

The chair called the meeting to order at 3:12 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Bob Hall Senator Brandon Creighton Senator Juan Hinojosa

At 3:12 PM Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1440 and recognized Senator Perry, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Perry moved that SB 1440 do not pass but that CSSB 1440 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, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent.

At 3:19 PM Senator Perry resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 2030 and recognized the author, Senator Seliger, 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 Perry moved that SB 2030 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1042 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Estes, 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 Perry moved that HB 1042 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1016 and recognized Senator Kolkhorst, in the absence of 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 Perry moved that HB 1016 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:30 PM Senator Kolkhorst assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 280 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, 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 Kolkhorst moved that HB 280 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 949 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, 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 Kolkhorst moved that HB 949 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1224 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, 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 Kolkhorst moved that HB 1224 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1934 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, 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 Kolkhorst moved that HB 1934 be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 3:38 PM Senator Perry resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 280.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 280 be reported favorably 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 0 absent. Senators Zaffirini and Rodriguez submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 280.

Senator Kolkhorst 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 949.

Senator Hall moved that HB 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 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senators Zaffirini and Rodriguez submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 949.

Senator Kolkhorst 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 1224.

Senator Creighton moved that HB 1224 be reported favorably 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 0 absent. Senators Zaffirini and Rodriguez submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1224.

Senator Creighton 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 1934.

Senator Hall moved that HB 1934 be reported favorably 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 0 absent. Senators Zaffirini and Rodriguez submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1934.

Senator Kolkhorst 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 1016.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1016 be reported favorably 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 0 absent. Senators Zaffirini and Rodriguez submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1016.

Senator Hall 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 1042.

Senator Kolkhorst moved that HB 1042 be reported favorably 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 0 absent. Senators Zaffirini and Rodriguez submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1042.

Senator Hall 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 2030.

Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 2030 be reported favorably 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 0 absent. Senators Zaffirini and Rodriguez submitted motions in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on SB 2030.

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

There being no further business, at 3:48 PM Senator Perry moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Charles Perry, Chair

Lauren Murray, Clerk