

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Thursday, April 9, 2015
9:00 AM or upon adjournment/recess
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 Business & Commerce was held on Thursday, April 9, 2015, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Kevin Eltife, Chair
Senator Brandon Creighton, Vice Chair
Senator Rodney Ellis
Senator Don Huffines
Senator Larry Taylor
Senator Kirk Watson
Senator John Whitmire

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Kel Seliger

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM. The following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 1017 and recognized the author, Senator Hancock, 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 Creighton moved that SB 1017 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair asked that the roll be called, and a quorum was established.

The following members arrived after the roll was called:

Senator Rodney Ellis

Senator John Whitmire

The chair laid out SB 902 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Van, 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 Creighton moved that SB 902 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife resumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1133 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Van, 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.

The chair laid out SB 836 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Watson to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife 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 moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 836 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 738 and recognized the author, Senator Hinojosa, 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 Eltife moved that SB 738 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1844 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffines sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife moved committee substitute be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Eltife moved that SB 1844 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1845 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife moved committee substitute be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Eltife moved that SB 1845 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1877 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife 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 moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 1877 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1878 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Watson sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife 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 moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 1878 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1313 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, 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 Eltife moved that SB 1313 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1596 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, 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 Eltife moved that SB 1596 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 498 and recognized Senator Creighton, 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.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 498 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 828 and recognized Senator Creighton, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Creighton sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Creighton to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife 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 moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 828 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1185 and recognized the author, Senator Huffines, to explain the bill.

Senator Huffines sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Huffines to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife 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 moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 1185 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 539 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Senator Creighton 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 Eltife 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.

At 10:44 AM Senator Eltife moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:15 PM Senator Eltife reconvened the meeting.

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

Senator Eltife moved that SB 539 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1081 and recognized the author, Senator Creighton, to explain the bill.

Senator Creighton sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Creighton to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife moved committee substitute be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Senator Eltife moved that SB 1081 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 900 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Larry, to explain the bill.

Senator Taylor sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Taylor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife moved committee substitute be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 900 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1628 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Larry, to explain the bill.

Senator Taylor sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Taylor to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Eltife moved committee substitute be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Eltife moved that SB 1628 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Watson assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 957 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, 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 Watson moved that SB 957 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1075 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, 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 Watson moved that SB 1075 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1174 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill.

The chair pulled down SB 1174.

The chair laid out SB 1650 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, 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 Watson moved that SB 1650 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1282 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, 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 Watson moved that SB 1282 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1263 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, 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 Watson moved that SB 1263 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1651 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, to explain the bill.

Senator Eltife sent up a committee substitute; the chair recognized Senator Eltife to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Watson 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 moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Watson moved that SB 1651 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1174 and recognized the author, Senator Eltife, 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 Watson moved that SB 1174 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 5:33 PM Senator Watson moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kevin Eltife, Chair

Brady Faglie, Clerk

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