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SENATE COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY TAX REFORM & RELIEF, SELECT

Monday, October 3, 2016

10:00 AM

Collin College Spring Creek Campus

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Property Tax Reform & Relief, Select was held on Monday, October 3, 2016, in the Collin College Spring Creek Campus.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Van Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Carlos Uresti

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Senator Bettencourt made opening remarks.

Dr. Neil Matkin, President at Collin College Spring Creek Campus, made welcoming remarks.

Senator Van Taylor made welcoming remarks.

Senator Brian Birdwell, Senator Konni Burton and Senator Bob Hall were present at the hearing.

Testimony was heard on the following interim charges:

Study the property tax process, including the appraisal system, and recommend ways to promote transparency, simplicity, and accountability by all taxing entities.

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Examine and develop options to further reduce the tax burden on property owners.

Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Senator Hancock assumed the chair.

Senator Bettencourt resumed the chair.

Public testimony continued.

The chair moved that public testimony be closed.

There being no further business, at 5:09 PM Senator Bettencourt moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk