

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

Thursday, April 20, 2017

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 State Affairs was held on Thursday, April 20, 2017, in the Senate Chamber.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair
Senator Bryan Hughes, Vice Chair
Senator Brian Birdwell
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Craig Estes
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.
Senator Jane Nelson
Senator Charles Schwertner
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 513 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, 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 Huffman moved that SB 513 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 926 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Rodriguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Huffman moved that SB 926 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1017 and recognized the author, Senator Rodríguez, to explain the bill.

Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Rodriguez to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Huffman moved that SB 1017 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1812 and recognized the author, Senator Taylor, Van, to explain the bill.

No witnesses testified or registered on the bill.

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

Senator Huffman moved that SB 1812 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2094 and recognized the author, Senator Hall, to explain the bill.

Senator Schwertner sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Hall to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Huffman moved that SB 2094 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1820 and recognized the author, Senator Burton, 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 Huffman moved that SB 1820 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1109 and recognized the author, Senator Birdwell, 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 Huffman moved that SB 1109 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 740.

Senator Hughes sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Kolkhorst to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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

Senator Huffman requested unanimous consent to incorporate the amendment into a committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Huffman moved that SB 740 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 148.

Senator Zaffirini withdrew CSSB 148 and sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Garcia to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the previous committee substitute.

Senator Huffman moved that CSSB 148 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 394 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

Senator Creighton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Buckingham to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Huffman moved that SB 394 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:40 AM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed until after adjournment of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Pursuant a motion made by Senator Huffman on the Senate floor, to suspend Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18, the Senate Committee on State Affairs reconvened in the Betty King Committee Room at 3:03 PM.

The chair laid out SB 1074 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Buckingham to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Huffman moved that SB 1074 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1016 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.

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 Huffman moved that SB 1016 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 179.

Senator Creighton withdrew CSSB 179 and sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Menendez to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the previous committee substitute.

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

Senator Creighton moved that SB 179 do not pass but that CSSB 179 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 6 ayes, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 2 absent. Senator Birdwell requested unanimous consent to be shown voting nay; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Nelson requested unanimous consent to be shown voting aye; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 807 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 Huffman moved that SB 807 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 55 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, 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 Huffman moved that SB 55 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SJR 6 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Huffman moved that SJR 6 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business CSSB 900.

Senator Huffman withdrew CSSB 900 and sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Huffman to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the previous committee substitute.

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

Senator Huffman assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 1945 and recognized Senator Zaffirini, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Zaffirini sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Zaffirini to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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 Huffman moved that SB 1945 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 4:40 PM Senator Huffman moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

Addison Reagan, Clerk