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SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 8:00 AM 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 Business & Commerce was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair Senator Robert Nichols, Vice Chair Senator Donna Campbell Senator Brandon Creighton Senator José Menéndez Senator Angela Paxton Senator Charles Schwertner Senator John Whitmire Senator Judith Zaffirini None

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 239 and recognized the author, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Nelson 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. The chair moved that that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 939 by Senator Creighton. Senator Creighton moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Creighton moved that SB 939 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 939 do

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pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. 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 SB 1200 by Senator Campbell. Senator Campbell sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Senator Campbell moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Campbell moved that SB 1200 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1200 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1778 by Senator Paxton. Senator Paxton moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Paxton moved that SB 1778 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1778 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Paxton 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 1779 by Senator Paxton. Senator Paxton moved that SB 1779 be reported back to the full 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 Paxton moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Nichols assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1859 by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that SB 1859 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1859 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Hancock 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 1969 by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that SB 1969 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1969 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes,

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0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Hancock 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 1970 by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock moved that SB 1970 be reported back to the full 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 Hancock 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 1971 by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that SB 1971 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1971 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Hancock 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 1972 by Senator Hancock. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that SB 1972 do not pass but that the committee substitute to SB 1972 do pass and be recommended to the full senate. The motion carried with a record vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent. Senator Hancock moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hancock resumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 2304 by Senator Taylor. Senator Nichols moved that SB 2304 be reported back to the full 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.

The chair laid out SB 1104 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry 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. The chair moved that that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1206 and recognized the author, Senator Perry, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Perry to explain the

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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. The chair moved that that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out HB 1442 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hall, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up Committee Amendment 1. The chair recognized the author to explain the amendment. Senator Nichols moved to withdraw Amendment 1. Senator Nichols sent up Committee Amendment 2. The chair recognized the author to explain the amendment. Senator Nichols moved to withdraw Amendment 2. 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1258 and recognized the author, Senator Buckingham, 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 moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1732 and recognized the author, Senator Paxton, to explain the bill. Senator Paxton sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 866 and recognized the author, Senator Watson, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Watson 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out HB 1311 and recognized the Senate Sponsor, 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. The chair moved that that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out HB 1520 and recognized the Senate Sponsor, Senator Watson, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Witnesses testifying and registering on

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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 moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 455 and recognized the author, Senator Alvarado, 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 985 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, to explain the bill. Senator Nichols sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Nichols, in the absence of the author, to explain the difference between the substitute and the 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1623 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1793 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, 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 moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1794 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, 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 moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 1648 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. The chair moved that the bill be left pending.

The chair laid out SB 2066 and recognized the author, Senator Menendez, to explain the bill. Senator Menendez sent up the committee substitute. The chair recognized the author to explain the difference between the substitute and the bill as filed. Witnesses testifying and registering on

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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 moved that the bill be left pending.

A Motion in Writing requesting unanimous consent to be shown voting aye was submitted by the following: Senator Creighton on SB 939, SB 1200, SB 1778, SB 1779, SB 1859, SB 1969, SB 1970, SB 1971, SB 1972, and SB 2304; Senator Zaffirini on SB 939, SB 1200, SB 1778, SB 1779, SB 1859, SB 1969, SB 1970, SB 1971, and SB 1972. These votes are reflected in the final vote on the aforementioned bills.

There being no further business, at 10:23 AM Senator Hancock moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Kelly Hancock, Chair	
Kennedy Calvo, Clerk	