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### **SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

8:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

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Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development was held on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Brian Birdwell, Chair

Senator Judith Zaffirini, Vice Chair

Senator Pat Fallon

Senator Peter Flores

Senator Kelly Hancock

Senator Juan Hinojosa

Senator Bryan Hughes

Senator Borris Miles

Senator Angela Paxton

Senator Beverly Powell

Senator José Rodríguez

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. There being a quorum present at 8:42 AM, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Peter Flores, Senator Bryan Hughes, Senator Borris Miles, Senator Angela Paxton, and Senator José Rodríguez.

Senator Flores moved that testimony be limited to 2 minutes per witness; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 1400 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill. Senator Flores sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Campbell 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 Birdwell moved that SB 1400 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 950 and recognized the author, Senator Kolkhorst, 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 Birdwell moved that SB 950 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1663 and the committee substitute. Senator Hancock moved to pull down the committee substitute that had been sent up at a previous hearing. Senator Hancock sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized the author, Senator Creighton, to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Birdwell moved that SB 1663 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1953 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock 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 Birdwell moved that HB 1953 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3246 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Hancock, to explain the bill.

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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 Birdwell moved that HB 3246 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2675 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 Zaffirini moved that HB 2675 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2714 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Birdwell, 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 Zaffirini moved that HB 2714 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 3226 and recognized the Senate sponsor, 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 Zaffirini moved that HB 3226 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1422 and the committee substitute. Senator Birdwell moved to pull down the committee substitute that had been sent up at a previous hearing. Senator Birdwell sent up a new committee substitute. The chair recognized

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Senator Birdwell in the absence of the author to explain the difference between the new committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

Senator Birdwell sent up Committee Amendment 1 authored by Senator Kolkhorst. The chair called upon Senator Kolkhorst to explain the amendment.

Senator Birdwell moved to withdraw Committee Amendment 1; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Birdwell sent up Committee Amendment 2 authored by Senator Kolkhorst. The chair called upon Senator Kolkhorst to explain the amendment.

Senator Birdwell moved to withdraw Committee Amendment 2; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Birdwell sent up Committee Amendment 3 authored by Senator Kolkhorst. The chair called upon Senator Kolkhorst to explain the amendment.

Senator Birdwell moved to withdraw Committee Amendment 3; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 1422 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Birdwell resumed the chair.

At 10:07 AM, Senator Birdwell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Pursuant to a motion made on the Senate floor by Senator Birdwell to suspend Senate Rules 11.10 and 11.18 that afternoon, the chair reconvened the Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Economic Development at 4:49 PM at Senator Birdwell's Desk along the back railing of the Senate Chamber.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1953. Senator Hancock moved that HB 1953 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 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 1400 and the committee substitute. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hancock moved that SB 1400 do not pass but that CSSB 1400 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 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 1663 and the committee substitute. Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hancock moved that SB 1663 do not pass but that CSSB 1663 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, 4 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Hancock assumed the chair.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1422 and the committee substitute.

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

Senator Flores moved that HB 1422 do not pass but that CSHB 1422 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2675. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 2675 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

Senator Birdwell 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 2714. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 2714 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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Senator Birdwell 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 3226. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 3226 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent.

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

Senator Birdwell resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 4:55 PM Senator Birdwell moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Brian Birdwell, Chair

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Paige McGhee, Clerk