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SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, May 2, 2019

12:00 PM or upon adjournment/recess

Senator Birdwell's Desk, 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 Natural Resources & Economic Development was held on Thursday, May 2, 2019, at Senator Birdwell's Desk, Senate Chamber.

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

The chair called the meeting to order at 4:50 PM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 303 and the committee substitute. Senator Rodríguez moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Rodríguez moved that HB 303 do not pass but that CSHB 303 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 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 1331. Senator Miles moved that HB 1331 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Miles 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 1627. Senator Zaffirini moved that HB 1627 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Zaffirini 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 3246. Senator Hancock moved that HB 3246 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 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 1070 and the committee substitute. Senator Zaffirini moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Zaffirini moved that SB 1070 do not pass but that CSSB 1070 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, 1 nay, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Fallon requested unanimous consent to change his vote from an aye to a nay on CSSB 1070; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 694 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill. Senator Hancock sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Campbell to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed.

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Senator Hancock moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hancock moved that SB 694 do not pass but that CSSB 694 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 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 185 and the committee substitute. Senator Miles moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Miles moved that SB 185 do not pass but that CSSB 185 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Miles 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 927 and the committee substitute. Senator Hughes moved adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered. Senator Hughes moved that SB 927 do not pass but that CSSB 927 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, 5 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Zaffirini assumed the chair.

The chair laid out HB 2127 in lieu of SB 532. HB 2127 is the companion bill to SB 532, which was laid out and considered by the committee at a previous hearing. Senator Birdwell moved that HB 2127 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 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 5:05 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

Paige McGhee, Clerk