

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON SUBCOMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Thursday, April 20, 2023

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.028

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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 Subcommittee on Higher Education was held on Thursday, April 20, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Mayes Middleton, Vice Chair  
Senator Royce West

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair  
Senator Phil King  
Senator Drew Springer

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Senator Mayes Middleton, called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. There being no quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The chair laid out SB 692 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 Middleton moved that SB 692 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 969 and recognized the author, Senator Zaffirini, to explain the bill.

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

Senator Middleton moved that SB 969 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

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The chair laid out SB 2240 and recognized the author, Senator LaMantia, to explain the bill.

Senator West sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator LaMantia to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator Middleton moved that the committee substitute be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

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 Middleton moved that SB 2240 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1537 and recognized the author, Senator Parker, 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 Middleton moved that SB 1537 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator West assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 429 and recognized the author, Senator Middleton, 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 West moved that SB 429 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 1489 and recognized Senator Parker, in the absence of the author, to explain the bill.

Senator Middleton sent up a committee substitute. The chair recognized Senator Parker to explain the difference between the committee substitute and the senate bill as filed. Senator West moved that the committee substitute be left pending to await a quorum; without objection, it was so ordered.

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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 West moved that SB 1489 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out SB 2029 and recognized Senator Middleton, in the absence of the author, 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 West moved that SB 2029 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 9:37 AM Senator West moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.



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Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair

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Abby Johnston, Clerk