

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

8:30 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 Local Government was held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.028, at Austin, Texas.

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#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair  
Senator Mayes Middleton, Vice Chair  
Senator Molly Cook  
Senator Roland Gutierrez  
Senator Robert Nichols  
Senator Angela Paxton  
Senator Royce West

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

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The chair called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The following members arrived after the roll was called: Paxton and Gutierrez.

Senator Middleton moved adoption of the committee rules. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

At 8:40 AM Senator Middleton assumed the chair.

The chair laid out SB 4 and SJR 2 and recognized the author, Senator Bettencourt, to explain the bills.

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Witnesses providing invited and public testimony and registering on the bills are shown on the attached list.

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

Senator Bettencourt moved that SB 4 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

Senator Bettencourt moved that SJR 2 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 0 absent.

At 10:19 AM Senator Bettencourt resumed the chair.

There being no further business, at 10:19 AM Senator Bettencourt moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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Senator Paul Bettencourt, Chair

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