

MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.036

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Finance was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.036, at Austin, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair
Senator Juan Hinojosa, Vice Chair
Senator Paul Bettencourt
Senator Donna Campbell
Senator Brandon Creighton
Senator Pete Flores
Senator Bob Hall
Senator Kelly Hancock
Senator Bryan Hughes
Senator Lois Kolkhorst
Senator Robert Nichols
Senator Angela Paxton
Senator Charles Perry
Senator Royce West
Senator John Whitmire
Senator Judith Zaffirini

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Charles Schwertner

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM. There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

The Chair made opening remarks.

The Chair laid out SB 1. Testimony was heard on SB 1 – Article III. Witnesses testifying and registering are shown on the attached list.

Higher Education Coordinating Board

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

At 10:50 AM Senator Hinojosa moved that the Committee stand in recess until 12:40 PM.

At 12:52 PM the Committee reconvened.

Testimony continued with the Higher Education Coordinating Board

Senator Huffman resumed the chair.

Available University Fund

Higher Education Fund

National Research University Fund

Permanent Fund Supporting Military and Veterans Exemptions

Higher Education Group Insurance

General Academic Institutions, Lamar State Colleges, Texas State Technical Colleges

Health Related Institutions

Texas Woman's University System

Texas Southern University

Stephen F. Austin State University

Texas A&M University System Administration

Texas A&M System Agencies

 Texas Division of Emergency Management

Senator Hinojosa assumed the chair.

 Texas A&M Agrilife Research

 Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service

 Texas A&M Forest Service

 Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Lab

 Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service

 Texas A&M Transportation Institute

 Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station

Texas A&M System Universities

 Texas A&M University

 Texas A&M University – Galveston

 Prairie View A&M University

 Tarleton State University

 Texas A&M University Central Texas

Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University Kingsville
Texas A&M University San Antonio
Texas A&M International University
West Texas A&M University
Texas A&M University Commerce
Texas A&M University Texarkana
Texas A&M University System Health Science Center
Texas State University System
Lamar University
Sam Houston State University
Sul Ross State University
Sul Ross State University Rio Grande College
Texas State University
Lamar State College - Orange
Lamar Institute of Technology
Lamar State College - Port Arthur
University of North Texas System Administration
University of North Texas
University of North Texas at Dallas
University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth

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

Senator Hinojosa moved that SB 1 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 7:54 PM Senator Hinojosa moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Joan Huffman, Chair

Stephanie Hoover, Clerk