89th Legislature March 12, 2025 10:30 a.m. or upon final adjourn./recess or bill referral if permission granted E2.016

Pursuant to a notice posted on March 7, 2025, revised on March 7, 2025, and permission granted on March 12, 2025, to meet while the House was in session, the House Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety & Veterans' Affairs met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Hefner, at 11:17 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Hefner; Lopez, Ray; Dorazio; Holt; Isaac; and McLaughlin.

A quorum was present.

The Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety & Veterans' Affairs heard invited testimony from an individual representing the Texas Parks and Wildlife – Border Operations.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Pierson now present.)

(Representative Louderback now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety & Veterans' Affairs heard invited testimony from an individual representing the Texas Police Chiefs Association.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Hickland now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

<u>HB 626</u>

The chair laid out HB 626.

The chair recognized Representative Bell, Cecil to explain HB 626.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Bell, Cecil to close on HB 626.

HB 626 was left pending without objection.

<u>HB 668</u>

The chair laid out HB 668.

The chair recognized Representative Bell, Cecil to explain HB 668.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Bell, Cecil to close on HB 668.

HB 668 was left pending without objection.

<u>HB 647</u>

The chair laid out HB 647.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Patterson to explain HB 647.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Patterson to close on HB 647.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 647 was left pending without objection.

<u>HB 674</u>

The chair laid out HB 674.

The chair recognized Representative Spiller to explain HB 674. Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.) The chair recognized Representative Spiller to close on HB 674. HB 674 was left pending without objection.

HB 908

The chair laid out HB 908.

The chair recognized Representative Spiller to explain HB 908. Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.) The chair recognized Representative Spiller to close on HB 908.

HB 908 was left pending without objection.

<u>HB 658</u>

The chair laid out HB 658.

The chair recognized Representative Tepper to explain HB 658.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Tepper to close on HB 658.

HB 658 was left pending without objection.

<u>HB 214</u>

The chair laid out HB 214.

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to explain HB 214.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Guillen to close on HB 214.

HB 214 was left pending without objection.

At 1:25 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Hefner, Chair

Jose Gonzalez, Clerk