

The House Committee on Natural Resources

89th Legislature

April 16, 2025

8:00 a.m.

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Pursuant to a notice posted on April 11, 2025, the House Committee on Natural Resources met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Harris, at 8:04 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; Romero; and Villalobos.

A quorum was present.

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(Representative González, Mary now present.)

(Representative Zwiener now present.)

HB 2692

The chair moved to reconsider the vote by which the measure was reported from committee. The motion to reconsider prevailed without objection.

Representative Martinez offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

The chair moved that HB 2692, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed and be sent to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (11).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Gámez; Garcia, Josey (2).

HB 1407

The chair moved to reconsider the vote by which the measure was reported from committee. The motion to reconsider prevailed without objection.

Representative Martinez offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

The chair moved that HB 1407, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (11).

Nays: None (0).

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Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Gámez; Garcia, Josey (2).

HB 1520

The chair laid out HB 1520 as pending business.

Representative Martinez offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

The chair moved that HB 1520, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (11).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Gámez; Garcia, Josey (2).

HB 1535

The chair laid out HB 1535 as pending business.

Representative Martinez offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

The chair moved that HB 1535, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (11).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Gámez; Garcia, Josey (2).

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HB 2970

The chair laid out HB 2970 as pending business.

The chair moved that HB 2970, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (11).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Gámez; Garcia, Josey (2).

HB 4153

The chair laid out HB 4153 as pending business.

The chair moved that HB 4153, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (11).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Gámez; Garcia, Josey (2).

HB 2091

The chair laid out HB 2091 as pending business.

The chair moved that HB 2091, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (11).

Nays: None (0).

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Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Gámez; Garcia, Josey (2).

(Representative Gámez now present.)

(Representative Garcia, Josey now present.)

HB 3663

The chair laid out HB 3663 as pending business.

The chair moved that HB 3663, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; Gámez; Garcia, Josey; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (13).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: None (0).

HB 3915

The chair laid out HB 3915 as pending business.

The chair moved that HB 3915, without amendments, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Harris; Martinez; Ashby; Barry; Bell, Cecil; Buckley; Fairly; Gámez; Garcia, Josey; González, Mary; Romero; Villalobos; Zwiener (13).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: None (0).

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HB 4530

The chair laid out HB 4530.

The chair recognized Representative Romero to explain HB 4530.

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

The chair recognized Representative Romero to close on HB 4530.

HB 4530 was left pending without objection.

HB 4931

The chair laid out HB 4931.

The chair recognized Representative Virdell to explain HB 4931.

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

The chair recognized Representative Virdell to close on HB 4931.

HB 4931 was left pending without objection.

HB 5559

The chair laid out HB 5559.

Representative Martinez offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair explained HB 5559.

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

(Representative Martinez in chair.)

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

(Representative Harris in chair.)

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

The chair closed on HB 5559.

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The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 5559 was left pending without objection.

HB 5560

The chair laid out HB 5560.

The chair explained HB 5560.

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

The chair closed on HB 5560.

HB 5560 was left pending without objection.

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At 9:09 a.m., on the motion of Representative Martinez and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Harris, Chair

Robert Moncada, Clerk