

Government Administration and Elections Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Friday, March 9, 2018

11:00 AM in Room 2A of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 11:02 AM by Chairman, Rep. Fox D. 148.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Flexer M. S29; Frantz L. S36; McLachlan M. S24; Slossberg G. S14

Representatives: Cummings S. 074; Devlin L. 134; Fox D. 148; France M. 042; Haddad G. 054; Labriola D. 131; Lesser M. 100; McCarthy Vahey C. 133; Miller P. 145; Rebimbas R. 070; Sampson R. 080; Santiago H. 084; Winkler M. 056

Absent were:

Senators:

Representatives:

.

Government Administration and Elections Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Friday, March 9, 2018

11:00 AM IN ROOM 2A OF THE LOB

I. CONVENE MEETING

The meeting was convened by Representative Fox at 11:02 AM.

Representative Winkler gave a safety briefing, pointing out all of the emergency exits.

Representative Fox moved to recess the meeting at the call of the chair until after the House Session at 11:03 AM.

Representative Fox re-convened the meeting at 1:23 PM.

II. REMARKS BY THE CHAIRS

No remarks were made by the chairs

III. BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FINAL ACTION

1. [H.B. No. 5172](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AGENCY DATA MANAGEMENT AND PROCESSES, THE TRANSMITTAL OF TOWN PROPERTY ASSESSMENT INFORMATION AND THE SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator Flexer and was seconded by Representative Lesser.

Comments were made by Senator McLachlan that he will be voting no on the bill.

Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 9 Yea, 7 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

2. [H.B. No. 5174](#) (RAISED) AN ACT RESTRICTING LOBBYING BY FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES. **(JFS to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator Flexer and seconded by Representative Lesser.

Representative Sampson asked a clarifying question regarding the language of the bill. Senator Flexer answered in return. Senator Slossberg expressed concerns regarding the language of this bill.

Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 14 Yea, 2 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

3. [H.B. No. 5175](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING APPEALS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT. **(JFS to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative McCarthy Vahey.

A motion was made by Senator Flexer and seconded by Representative McCarthy Vahey to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

4. [H.B. No. 5177](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING EMPLOYEE NOTIFICATION OF REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT. **(JFS to the Floor)**

Motion made by Representative Haddad and seconded by Senator Slossberg.

Comments were made by Senator McLachlan. He believes the language needs to be tightened up.

A motion was made by Representative Devlin and seconded by Representative Winkler to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

5. [H.B. No. 5178](#) (RAISED) AN ACT REQUIRING EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF CERTAIN QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS AND AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF EACH QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY. **(JFS to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator Flexer and seconded by Senator McLachlan.

Representative Devlin made a comment regarding items number 5 and 13. They are too similar, she would like to see them be one bill and not two separate pieces of legislation.

A motion was made by Representative Devlin and seconded by Representative McCarthy Vahey to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

6. [H.B. No. 5263](#) (RAISED) AN ACT REQUIRING A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE LIST OF LEGISLATIVELY APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Representative Winkler and seconded by Representative Lesser.

A motion was made by Representative Devlin and seconded by Representative Cummings to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

7. [H.B. No. 5268](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MINOR AND TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO STATUTES CONCERNING GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Representative Lesser and seconded by representative McCarthy Vahey.

A motion was made by Representative Devlin and seconded by Representative France to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

8. [H.B. No. 5269](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DIVESTMENT OF STATE FUNDS INVESTED IN COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN VENEZUELA. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Representative McCarthy Vahey and seconded by Senator McLachlan.

Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 11 Yay, 5 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

9. [H.J. No. 13](#) RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE NINETEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONNECTICUT-TAIWAN SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator Flexer and seconded by Senator McLachlan.

A motion was made by Representative Devlin and seconded by Representative Cummings to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

10. [S.B. No. 175](#) (RAISED) AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AUDITORS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS. **(JFS to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator Flexer and seconded by Senator McLachlan.

A motion was made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative Devlin to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

11. [S.B. No. 176](#) (RAISED) AN ACT REQUIRING THE REPORTING OF CERTAIN GIFTS TO THE STATE UNDER THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator Flexer and seconded by Representative Lesser.

A motion was made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative McCarthy Vahey to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

12. [S.B. No. 178](#) (RAISED) AN ACT DECREASING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION ON EQUITY AND OPPORTUNITY. **(JFS to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator Flexer and seconded by Senator McLachlan.

A motion was made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative McCarthy Vahey to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

13. [S.B. No. 180](#) (RAISED) AN ACT REQUIRING EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF CERTAIN QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS. **(JFS to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative Devlin.

A motion was made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative Devlin to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

14. [S.B. No. 255](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MINOR REVISIONS TO STATUTES CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative Devlin.

A motion was made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative McCarthy Vahey to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

15. [S.B. No. 256](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING RACIAL AND ETHNIC IMPACT STATEMENTS. **(JF to the Floor)**

Motion made by Representative Lesser and seconded by Representative McCarthy Vahey

A motion was made by Senator McLachlan and seconded by Representative Devlin to move this item to the consent calendar.

The Consent Calendar Final Vote Tally: 16 Voting, 16 Yay, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent not voting

Motion Passed

IV. ANNOUNCEMENT OF TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Representative Fox mentioned there is a Public Hearing Thursday, March 15th, 11:00 AM in 1A of the LOB.

Senator Flexer clarified that the Public Hearing will take place on a Thursday because the House is in Session on Monday.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Fox made a motion to recess. Votes were held open until 04:00 PM without objection.

Sue Tufts

Christian Tynan

Maureen O'Reilly

Committee Clerk

Assistant Committee Clerk