

Pursuant to a public notice posted on March 8, 1977, at 5:00 p.m., the Committee on Business and Industry convened in a public hearing and was called to order by the Chair, Representative Semos.

The roll was answered as follows:

Present: Semos, Polumbo, Glossbrenner, Hill, McLeod, Patterson, Ragsdale, Range1 (8).

Absent: Vaughan, Finnell, Garcia (3).

A quorum was present.

H.B. 461

The Chair laid out H.B. 461 by Allee and recognized the author to explain his bill.

Mr. Polumbo now in the Chair.

Mr. Garcia now present. Mr. Semos now in Chair.

Mr. Finnell now present.

Mr. Vaughan now present.

The Chair recognized Mr. Larry Niemann, representing the Texas Apartment Association, Austin, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 461.

The Chair recognized Mr. Allee to close.

The Chair referred H.B. 461 to the Standing Subcommittee on Consumer Protection.

H.B. 507

The Chair laid out H.B. 507 by Watson and recognized the author to explain his bill.

The Chair recognized Mr. Larry Niemann, representing the Texas Apartment Association, Austin, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 507.

The Chair recognized Mr. Watson to close.

The Chair referred H.B. 507 to the Standing Subcommittee on Consumer Protection.

H.B. 949

The Chair laid out H.B. 949 and recognized Mr. Polumbo to explain his bill

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and to close on the bill.

The Chair referred H.B. 949 to a subcommittee composed of Rangel, Chairperson, McLeod and Polumbo.

Mr. Polumbo now in the Chair.

H.B. 1159

The Chair laid out H.B. 1159 by Semos and recognized the author to explain his bill.

The Chair recognized Mr. David E. Gillespie, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Southern Growth Policies Board, Raleigh, North Carolina, to speak in favor of H.B. 1159.

The Chair recognized Mr. Bob Armstrong, Land Commissioner for the State of Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 1159.

The Chair recognized Rep. Frank Gaston to speak in favor of H.B. 1159.

The Chair recognized Mr. Joe H. Golman of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce to speak in favor of H.B. 1159.

The Chair recognized Mr. Semos to close.

The Chair referred H.B. 1159 to a subcommittee with the membership as follows: Vaughan, Chairman, Glossbrenner, and Semos.

H.B. 597 and H.B. 844

The Chair laid out H.B. 597 by Washington and H.B. 844 by Hoestenbach and recognized Mr. Hoestenbach to explain his bill.

Mr. Semos now in the Chair.

The Chair recognized Mr. Richard Craig of the Texas Food Marketing Association and the Texas Federation of Drug Stores, Austin, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. Bob Green of Furr's, Incorporated, Lubbock, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. James R. Hawkins, Gibson Discount Centers, Waco, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Leo C. Michaud, representing Gibson Discount Centers, Austin, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized H. R. Gibson, Jr. of Gibson Discount Centers, Dallas, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

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The Chair recognized Mr. Tom Lamar Johnson, representing Handy Dan Hardware, Inc., San Antonio, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. David Oppenheimer, representing Handy Dan Hardware, Inc., San Antonio, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

Mr. Finnell now in the Chair.

The Chair recognized Mr. James H. Kennedy, representing himself, Yantes, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

Mr. Semos now in the Chair.

The Chair recognized Mr. Lawrence Turner, representing the Kroger Company and Texas Food Marketing Association, Dallas, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. Charles Knapp, representing Texas Retail Grocers Association, Austin, Texas, to speak in favor of H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. Jack Welch, representing Texas Retail Federation, Marlin, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Dr. Robert Young, representing Texas Retail Federation and Federated Department Stores, Cincinnati, Ohio, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mrs. Carmen Delgado, representing herself, Weimar, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mrs. Sandra Jane Slayton, representing herself, Austin, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Committee moved the meeting to the Member's Lounge at 7:30 p.m.

The Chair recognized Mr. Harold Marshall, representing himself, Dallas, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. Wallace B. Woodlief, representing himself, Round Rock, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. John Minor, representing himself, Austin, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. Richard Robinson, representing Stimson & Sons, Inc., Stimson Furniture Co., and Southwest Home Furnishing Association, Karnes City, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. Hugh Foley, representing Houston Retail Merchants Association, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair recognized Mr. J. E. Crews, representing himself, Huntsville, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

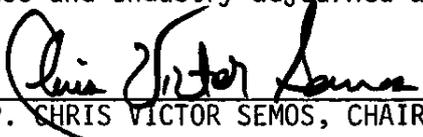
The Chair recognized Mr. Charles Tupper, Jr., representing Texas Automobile Dealers Association, Dallas, Texas, to speak in opposition to H.B. 597 and H.B. 844.

The Chair referred H.B. 597 and H.B. 844 to a subcommittee to be named at a later date.

Representative McLeod moved that the Committee stand adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

There being no objection, the Committee on Business and Industry adjourned at 8:17 p.m.


Randy Lee, Committee Clerk


REP. CHRIS VICTOR SEMOS, CHAIRMAN