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Public Hearing
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
March 12, 1985
7:15 p.m.

Room 101, John H. Reagan Building

Pursuant to a public notice posted 3/7/85, at 12:30 p.m., the Transportation Committee convened in a public hearing and was called to order by the Chairman, Representative David Cain, at 7:15 p.m. The roll was answered as follows:

PRESENT: Clemons, Edwards, Emmett, Pierce, Richardson, Taylor, Tejada, Wolens, Cain
ABSENT: None

A quorum was present.

The Chairman laid out H.B. 1063 and recognized the author, Rep. Watson. There being no one present to testify for, against, or on the bill, the Chairman recognized Rep. Pierce for a motion. Rep. Pierce moved that H.B. 1063 be referred to a subcommittee to be named by the Chairman. Without objection, it was so ordered. The Chairman then named the following subcommittee: Emmett, chair; Wolens, Richardson.

The Chairman laid out H.B. 74, H.B. 320, and H.B. 561, and recognized the authors, Rep. Staniswalis (561), Rep. Waldrop (74), and Rep. Barton (320).

The Chairman swore in and recognized Faye Murphree, Justice of the Peace, representing the Justice of the Peace and Constables' Association of Texas, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 74 and H.B. 320.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Sam Stone, representing the American Automobile Association, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 74.

The Chairman swore in and recognized John Morgan, Judge, City of Pasadena, representing the City of Pasadena, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 320.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Felix Stanley, Judge, Houston Municipal Courts, representing the City of Houston, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 320.

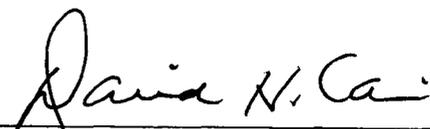
The Chairman swore in and recognized John Jonietz, Judge, Cities of Spring Valley, League City, and Bellaire, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 320.

There being no one further wishing to testify in favor of the bills, the Chairman swore in and recognized David Phillips, Judge, Austin, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 320.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Glenn Winningham, representing Driver Training Associates, Inc., and affiliated companies, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 320.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Charles W. Green, representing the Sears Driving Schools, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 320.


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The Chairman swore in and recognized Joe Enochs, Defensive Driving Course Instructor, representing Austin Community College, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 320.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Ronald Kirk, Assistant City Attorney, representing the City of Dallas, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 320.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Raymond Burket, representing the Sears Driving Schools, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 320.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Albert O. Perez, representing Austin Community College, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 320.

There being no one further wishing to testify against the bills, the Chairman swore in and recognized Major George King, representing the Texas Department of Public Safety, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 561 as a resource witness.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Robert Draper, representing the Texas Safety Association, for the purpose of testifying on the bills.

The Chairman at this time recognized the presence of Faye Murphree, against H.B. 561, and Sam Stone, representing the American Automobile Association and present to testify on H.B. 320.

There being no one further wishing to testify for, against, or on the bills, the Chairman recognized Rep. Waldrop to close. The Chairman next recognized Rep. Barton to close. Rep. Edwards moved that H.B. 74, H.B. 320, and H.B. 561 be referred to a subcommittee to be named by the Chair. Without objection, it was so ordered. The Chairman then named the following subcommittee: Rep. Edwards, chair; Rep. Wolens, Rep. Pierce.

The Chairman laid out H.B. 941 and recognized the author, Rep. Messer.

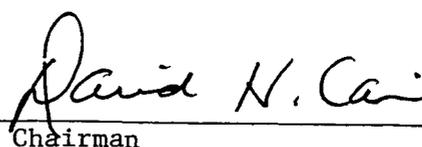
The Chairman swore in and recognized Peter Miller, representing the Texas Head Injury Foundation, for the purpose of testifying for H.B. 941.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Captain Frank Waller, representing the Texas Department of Public Safety, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 941 as a resource witness.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Gene Fondren, representing the Texas Automobile Dealers' Association, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 941.

The Chairman swore in and recognized James Brunkenhoefer, representing the United Transportation Union, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 941.


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The Chairman recognized the presence of the following, who expressed their support for H.B. 941:

Gilbert Turrieta, representing the Texas Medical Association;
Willie Chapman, representing the Texas AFL-CIO and the United Labor
Legislative Committee;
Mario Martinez, representing the Texas State Troopers' Association;
Philip Gauss, representing the Texas Trial Lawyers' Association;
Joe Woods, representing the Texas Trial Lawyers' Association;
Ann Streetman, representing the Texas Safety Association;
David Burrow, representing the Texas Trial Lawyers' Association;
Chris Jones, representing the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas;
Lawrence Olsen, representing the Associated General Contractors of Texas
Highway, Heavy, Industrial, and Utilities branch; and
Sam Stone, representing the American Automobile Association.

There being no one further wishing to testify in favor of H.B. 941, the Chairman swore and recognized James Presnal, representing the State Farm Insurance Companies, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 941. *side 2*

The Chairman swore in and recognized Rita P. Webster, representing the Texas Head Injury Foundation. for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 941.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Shirley Uzzell, representing the National Coalition to Reduce Car Crash Injuries, for the purpose of testifying against H.B. 941.

There being no one further wishing to testify against H.B. 941, the Chairman swore in and recognized Brad Wiewel, representing the Texas Consumer Association, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 941.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Gloria Patterson, representing the United Services Automobile Association, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 941.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Bob Sheehy, representing the Texas Association of Defense Counsel, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 941. *VERY END OF TAPE 2-B*

The Chairman swore in and recognized Joe Lea, representing the Texas Association of Defense Counsel, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 941.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Roy Carpenter, representing the Texas Rural Letter Carriers' Association, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 941.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Susan Bryant, Occupant Protection Coordinator, SDHPT, representing the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 941 as a resource witness.

The Chairman recalled Mr. Sheehy for further questions.

There being no one further wishing to testify for, against, or on H.B. 941, the Chairman recognized Rep. Messer to close.

Steven Polunsky
Clerk

David H. Cain
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Rep. Emmett moved that H.B. 941 be referred to a subcommittee to be named by the Chairman. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Chairman laid out S.B. 327. The Chairman swore in and recognized Lewis King, representing the National Guard Association of Texas, for the purpose of testifying in favor of S.B. 327.

There being no one further wishing to testify for, against, or on S.B. 327, Rep. Emmett moved that S.B. 327 be referred to a subcommittee to be named by the Chairman. Without objection, it was so ordered. The Chairman named the following subcommittee for S.B. 327: Rep. Emmett, chair; Rep. Wolens, Rep. Richardson.

The Chairman laid out H.B. 1047 and turned the chair over to Rep. Edwards.

The Chairman recognized the author, Rep. Cain.

The Chairman swore in and recognized Sam Clonts, representing the Texas Association of Counties, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 1047.

The Chairman recognized Robert Floyd, representing the Texas Motor Transportation Association, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 1047.

The Chairman recognized Ronald Kirk, representing the City of Dallas, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 1047.

The Chairman recognized James Allison, representing the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas, for the purpose of testifying in favor of H.B. 1047.

The Chairman noted that Robert Lee, County Commissioner of Bexar County, representing the Bexar County Commissioners' Court, had registered in favor of H.B. 1047.

There being no one further wishing to testify in favor of H.B. 1047, the Chairman recognized John Butler, Commissioner, State Highway and Public Transportation Commission, for the purpose of testifying on H.B. 1047.

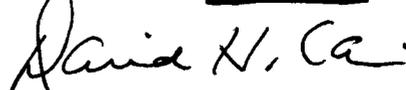
There being no one further wishing to testify for, against, or on H.B. 1047, the Chairman recognized Rep. Cain to close.

Rep. Pierce moved that H.B. 1047 be referred to a subcommittee to be named by the Chair. Without objection, it was so ordered. The Chairman named the following subcommittee for H.B. 1047: Rep. Edwards, chair; Rep. Cain, Rep. Richardson.

Rep. Cain assumed the chair and named the following subcommittee for H.B. 941: Rep. Tejada, chair; Rep. Taylor, Rep. Cain.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting without objection at 11:05 p.m.


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