

SUBJECT: Requiring disclosure of fees charged for the sale of event tickets

COMMITTEE: Business and Industry — favorable, without amendment

VOTE: 6 ayes — C. Turner, Cain, Crockett, Lambert, Ordaz Perez, Shine
0 nays
3 absent — Hefner, Patterson, S. Thompson

WITNESSES: For — (*Registered, but did not testify*: Thomas Parkinson)
Against — None

BACKGROUND: Some have suggested there is a lack of transparency with regard to hidden or extra fees when consumers purchase tickets for concerts and similar events.

DIGEST: HB 3141 would require a person that sold or re-sold tickets for a concert or other public, scheduled event, including the operator of a ticket website, to disclose all fees charged in connection with the sale of a ticket for the event. Fees for tickets made available for sale on a website would have to be posted on the website in a location easily accessible by ticket purchasers or potential ticket purchasers.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2021.