

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND ETHICS REP. JULIE CALLEY CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

10:30 AM

Room 327, House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Elections and Ethics was called to order by the Chair.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope. Absent/Excused: None.

Representative Sheppard moved to adopt the minutes from the June 12th, 2019 meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4642, HB 4643, HB 4644, HB 4645, HB 4646, HB 4647, HB 4648 and HB 4649 before the committee:

HB 4642

(Rep. LaGrand) A bill to regulate political activity; to require state representatives to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

HB 4643

(Rep. Filler) A bill to regulate political activity; to require state senators to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

HB 4644

(Rep. Calley) A bill to regulate political activity; to require candidates for the office of state representative to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

HB 4645

(Rep. Huizenga) A bill to regulate political activity; to require candidates for the office of state senator to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

HB 4646

(Rep. Sowerby) A bill to regulate political activity; to require certain elected state officers and candidates for state elective office to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

HB 4647

(Rep. Yancey) A bill to regulate political activity; to require certain elected state supreme court justices and judges and candidates for state elective judicial office to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

HB 4648

(Rep. Marino) A bill to regulate political activity; to require members of and candidates for the governing boards of certain state universities to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

HB 4649

(Rep. Rabhi) A bill to regulate political activity; to require members of and candidates for the state board of education to file financial statements and reports; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state officers and agencies; to impose fees; to prescribe penalties and civil sanctions; and to provide remedies.

Representative David LaGrand testified in support of HB 4642, HB 4643, HB 4644, HB 4645,

HB 4646, HB 4647, HB 4648, and HB 4649.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4642, HB 4643, HB 4644, HB 4645, HB 4646, HB 4647, HB 4648, and HB 4649, but did not wish to speak:

Jenita Moore, representing the Secretary of State.

Susan Smith, representing the League of Women Voters.

Representative Sheppard moved to adopt substitute (H-5) to HB 4642. The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Hope moved to adopt substitute (H-5) to HB 4643. The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Marino moved to adopt substitute (H-5) to HB 4644. The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Guerra moved to adopt substitute (H-4) to HB 4645. The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Paquette moved to adopt substitute (H-3) to HB 4646. The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard moved to adopt substitute (H-5) to HB 4647. The motion prevailed 7-0-

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Hope moved to adopt substitute (H-5) to HB 4648. The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Marino moved to adopt substitute (H-3) to HB 4649. The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard offered the following amendments to HB 4642 (H-5):

- 1. Amend page 3, line 6, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4) and except".
- 2. Amend page 6, line 4, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 6, line 6, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 6, following line 12, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust.".

Representative Sheppard moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4642 (H-5). The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Marino offered the following amendments to HB 4643 (H-5):

- 1. Amend page 3, line 6, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), and except".
- 2. Amend page 6, line 4, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 6, line 6, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 6, following line 12, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust.".

Representative Marino moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4643 (H-5). The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Guerra offered the following amendments to HB 4644 (H-5):

- 1. Amend page 3, line 11, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4) and except".
- 2. Amend page 6, line 9, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 6, line 11, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 6, following line 17, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust."

Representative Guerra moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4644 (H-5). The motion prevailed

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Marino offered the following amendments to HB 4645 (H-4):

- 1. Amend page 3, line 11, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4) and except".
- 2. Amend page 6, line 9, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 6, line 11, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 6, following line 17, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust."

Representative Marino moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4645 (H-4). The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Marino offered the following amendments to HB 4646 (H-3):

- 1. Amend page 4, line 1, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4) and except".
- 2. Amend page 6, line 28, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 7, line 1, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 7, following line 7, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not

required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust.".

Representative Marino moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4646 (H-3). The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Paquette offered the following amendments to HB 4647 (H-5):

- 1. Amend page 3, line 21, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4) and except".
- 2. Amend page 6, line 19, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 6, line 21, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 6, following line 27, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust.".

Representative Paquette moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4647 (H-5). The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard offered the following amendments to HB 4648 (H-5):

1. Amend page 3, line 25, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4) and except".

- 2. Amend page 6, line 23, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 6, line 25, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 7, following line 2, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust."

Representative Sheppard moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4648 (H-5). The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Guerra offered the following amendments to HB 4649 (H-3):

- 1. Amend page 3, line 21, after "(1)" by striking out "Except" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4) and except".
- 2. Amend page 6, line 19, after "(2)" by striking out "Information" and inserting "Subject to subsection (4), information".
- 3. Amend page 6, line 21, after the first "trust" by striking out the comma and "blind trust,".
 - 4. Amend page 6, following line 27, by inserting:
- "(4) If an individual required to file a report under section 3 or an immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust, the individual is not required to include the interests or assets of the blind trust in his or her statement under subsection (1). However, the individual must indicate in his or her report that the individual or the immediate family member of the individual holds a beneficial interest in a blind trust."

Representative Guerra moved to adopt the amendments to HB 4649 (H-3). The motion prevailed 7-0-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Hornberger, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard moved to refer House Bill No. 4642 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-6). The motion prevailed 6-1-0: FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

Representative Marino moved to refer House Bill No. 4643 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-6). The motion prevailed 6-1-0: FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

Representative Guerra moved to refer House Bill No. 4644 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-6). The motion prevailed 6-1-0: FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

Representative Marino moved to refer House Bill No. 4645 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-6). The motion prevailed 6-1-0: FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard moved to refer House Bill No. 4646 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-5). The motion prevailed 6-1-0: FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

Representative Sheppard moved to refer House Bill No. 4647 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-6). The motion prevailed 6-1-0: FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

Representative Paquette moved to refer House Bill No. 4648 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-6). The motion prevailed 6-1-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

Representative Guerra moved to refer House Bill No. 4649 to the committee on Ways and Means, with recommendation, as amended, as substitute (H-5). The motion prevailed 6-1-0: FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Calley, Sheppard, Marino, Paquette, Guerra, Hope.

Nays: Rep. Hornberger.

Pass: None.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. Julie Calley adjourned the meeting at 10:50 AM.

Representative Julie Calley, Chair

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