MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMISSION MEETING Wednesday, May 2, 2018

The Finance Commission of Texas convened at 1:00 p.m. on May 2, 2018 with the following members present:

Finance Commission Members in Attendance:

Stacy G. London, Chairman Jay Shands, Vice Chairman Hector Cerna Molly Curl Phillip Holt Will Lucas Lori McCool Paul Plunket Vince Puente

Finance Commission Chairman Stacy G. London announced a quorum with nine members present.

Stacy G. London made a motion to excuse Bob Borochoff and Matt Moore from the Finance Commission meeting held on May 2, 2018. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously. (00:32)

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A.	FINANCE COMMISSION MATTERS		
1.	General Public Comment		00:43 start of discussion
2.	Discussion of and Possible Vote to Take Action on the Study Committee's Recommendations to the Finance Commission Regarding the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission Staff Report		01:08 start of discussion
	Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 1.1 Abolish the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending as a separate state agency and transfer regulation of state savings banks and the mortgage industry to the Texas Department of Banking.	Will Lucas made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to disagree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 1.1. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed with eight ayes and one nay.	11:39 start of discussion 49:52 vote
	Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 1.2 Continue the Texas Department of Banking for 12 years.	Paul Plunket made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 1.2. Vince Puente seconded, and the motion	50:25 start of discussion 50:51 vote

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	passed unanimously.	
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 1.3 Continue the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner for 12 years.	Molly Curl made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 1.3. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	51.48 start of discussion 52:00 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.1 Require the finance agencies to remit all administrative penalties to the General Revenue Fund.	Paul Plunket made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to disagree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.1. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	52.36 start of discussion 59:31 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.2 Direct the Finance Commission to evaluate and update the agencies' key performance measures.	Jay Shands made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.2. Will Lucas seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	59:50 start of discussion 01:05:27 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.3 Direct the Finance Commission to develop a budget policy that fosters more straightforward budgeting and fee setting.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to disagree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.3. Will Lucas seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	01:05:43 start of discussion 1:20:17 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.4 Direct the Finance Commission to update its fund balance policy to limit growth.	Vince Puente made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to disagree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.4. Molly Curl seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:20:23 start of discussion 1:21:10 vote

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Sunset Staff Recommendation 2.5 Direct the Finance Commission to develop standard policies regarding tracking and reporting travel expenditures.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.5. Will Lucas seconded and the motion passed unanimously.	1:20:19 start of discussion 1:22:55 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 2.6 Direct the Finance Commission to minimize duplication of agency functions and promote more cost-efficient administration of the finance agencies.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to conduct a formal study to further investigate this recommendation. Molly Curl seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:23:09 start of discussion 1:29:15 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 3.1 Discontinue licensure of pawnshop employees.	 Will Lucas made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 3.1. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed. Will Lucas made a second motion to supersede the above motion and adopt a modified recommendation for Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 3.1 to neither agree or disagree with the recommendation. Paul Plunket seconded, and the motion passed with six ayes and three nays. Molly Curl made a third motion to supersede the above motion and adopt a modified recommendation to disagree with the Sunset Staff Report Recommendation. Vince Puente seconded. The motion did not pass. 	1:29:24 start of discussion 1:43:49 vote

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Sunset Staff Recommendation 3.2 Discontinue registration of cemetery brokers.	Paul Plunket made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 3.2. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:47:55 start of discussion 1:48:07 vote
Sunset Staff Recommendation 3.3 Discontinue registration of private child support enforcement agencies.	Paul Plunket made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 3.3. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:48:31 start of discussion 1:48:49 vote
Sunset Staff Recommendation 4.1 Authorize the agency to establish license terms in rule for death care service licensees.	Molly Curl made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 4.1. Jay Shands seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:50:07 start of discussion 1:50:22 vote
Sunset Staff Recommendation 4.2 Update the agency's complaint processing provisions to meet the Sunset Commission's standard across-the- board requirements.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 4.2. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:50:37 start of discussion 1:50:52 vote
Sunset Staff Recommendation 4.3 Update outdated appeals provisions to align with the Administrative Procedure Act.	Will Lucas made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 4.3 Phillip Holt seconded and the motion passed unanimously.	1:51:05 start of discussion 1:51:16 vote

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Sunset Staff Recommendation 4.4 Direct DOB and the Finance Commission to develop an updated complaint process in rule.	Molly Curl made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 4.4. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:51:48 start of discussion 1:52:03 vote
Sunset Staff Recommendation 5.1 Remove subjective licensure provisions for pawnshops and pawnshop employees.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.1. Jay Shands seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:52:21 start of discussion 1:52:35 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.2 Authorize the agency to provide biennial license renewals for its licensees and registrants.	Will Lucas made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with the Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.2. Molly Curl seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:53:02 start of discussion 1:53:11 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.3 Update the agency's complaint processing provisions to meet the Sunset Commission's standard across-the- board requirements.	Will Lucas made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.3. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:53:35 start of discussion 1:53:50 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.4 Authorize OCCC to disclose summary complaint resolution information to a complainant.	Molly Curl made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.4. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:54:08 start of discussion 1:54:37 vote

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Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.5 Authorize OCCC to open an investigation immediately upon reasonable suspicion of a violation.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.5. Molly Curl seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:54:38 start of discussion 1:54:49 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.6 Remove an outdated, overly restrictive burden of proof for proving regulatory violations.	Molly Curl made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.6. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:55:05 1:55:19 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.7 Give OCCC standard authority to take action against crafted precious metal dealers violating state regulations.	Lori McCool made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.7. Jay Shands seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:55:34 start of discussion 1:55:46 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.8 Authorize OCCC to deny renewal applications for noncompliant licensees and registrants when appropriate.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.8. Will Lucas seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:56:04 start of discussion 1:56:15 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.9 Standardize OCCC's burden of proof for ordering restitution in all regulatory programs.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.9. Hector Cerna seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:56:30 start of discussion 1:56:40 vote

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Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.10 Authorize OCCC to order crafted precious metal dealers to pay consumer restitution.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.10. Molly Curl seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:57:00 start of discussion 1:57:11 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.11 Update outdated appeals provisions to align with the Administrative Procedure Act.	Will Lucas made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.11. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:57:26 start of discussion 1:57:40 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.12 Direct OCCC and the Finance Commission to develop an updated complaint process in rule.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.12. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:57:55 start of 1:58:07 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.13 Direct the agency to make enforcement orders available online.	Hector Cerna made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 5.13. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	1:58:25 start of discussion 2:04:55 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.1 Remove unnecessary, subjective licensure provisions for residential mortgage loan originators.	Will Lucas made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.1. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:05:03 start of discussion 2:06:50 vote

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Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.2 Update the agency's complaint processing provisions to meet the Sunset Commission's standard across-the- board requirements.	Lori McCool made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.2. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:06:52 start of discussion 2:07:05 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.3 Direct SML and the Finance Commission to develop an updated complaint process in rule.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.3. Jay Shands seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:07:22 start of discussion 2:07:34 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.4 Direct the agency to modify its penalty matrix to ensure consistent application of administrative penalties.	Molly Curl made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 6.4. Lori McCool seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:07:51 start of discussion 2:08:04 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.1 Update the standard across-the-board requirement related to Finance Commission member training.	Jay Shands made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.1. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:08:19 start of discussion 2:08:32 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.2 Apply the Sunset across-the-board recommendation regarding alternative dispute resolution to the finance agencies.	Hector Cerna made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.2. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:08:50 start of discussion 2:09:04 vote

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Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.3 Authorize the finance agencies to establish advisory committees in rule as needed.	Phillip Holt made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.3. Molly Curl seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:09:24 start of discussion 2:09:38 vote
Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.4 Continue the finance agencies' required reports.	Lori McCool made a motion to adopt the Study Committee's recommendation to agree with Sunset Staff Report Recommendation 7.4. Phillip Holt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.	2:09:57 start of discussion 2:10:05 vote

There being no further business, Chairman Stacy G. London adjourned the meeting of the Finance Commission at 3:22 p.m. (2:11:27) on the audio file).

Stacy G. London, Chairman Finance Commission of Texas

Charles G. Cooper, Executive Director Finance Commission of Texas

Anne Benites, Executive Assistant Finance Commission of Texas