

**MINUTES OF THE
JUDICIARY INTERIM COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, June 18, 2003 – 3:00 p.m. – Room 405 State Capitol

Members Present:

Rep. Ben C. Ferry, House Chair
Sen. Patrice M. Arent
Sen. Gregory S. Bell
Sen. James Evans
Rep. J. Stuart Adams
Rep. Chad E. Bennion
Rep. Katherine M. Bryson
Rep. Scott Daniels
Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson
Rep. David L. Hogue
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings
Rep. Susan Lawrence
Rep. Roz McGee
Rep. Mike Thompson

Members Absent:

Sen. David L. Gladwell, Senate Chair
Sen. John L. Valentine
Rep. J. Morgan Philpot

Staff Present:

Mr. Jerry D. Howe, Policy Analyst
Ms. Esther D. Chelsea-McCarty, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Cassandra N. Bauman, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present and a copy of materials can be found at <http://www.image.le.state.ut.us/imaging/history.asp> or by contacting the committee secretary at 538-1032.

1. Committee Business

Chair Ferry called the meeting to order at 3:25 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Hogue moved to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2003 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bennion absent for the vote.

2. Reports Required to be Heard by the Judiciary Interim Committee

Ms. Chelsea-McCarty detailed the reports that are required to be heard by the Judiciary Interim Committee as requested in the May meeting.

Ms. Patricia Worthington, Utah Foster Care Review Board, commented.

Committee discussion followed.

3. Uniform Juvenile Compact Act

Mr. Ray Wahl, Juvenile Court Administrator, distributed and explained "Interstate Compact for Juveniles: Update." He responded to questions.

4. Uniform Arbitration Act

Rep. LaVar Christensen indicated that legislation on the Uniform Arbitration Act was introduced in the 2003 General Session with the Government Operations Interim Committee approval and passed the House of Representatives, but did not pass the Senate. He explained the legislation and responded to questions.

Mr. Gary Thorup, attorney, Holme Roberts & Owen, spoke to the issue.

Mr. Chris Kyler, General Counsel, Utah Association of Arbitrators, responded to questions.

Mr. Craig Moody, Utah Trial Lawyers Association, spoke to the issue.

5. Other Items / Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. Hogue moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Arent, Rep. Bennion, Rep. Bryson, and Rep. Daniels absent for the vote.

Chair Ferry adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.