



MINUTES

SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Friday, February 16, 2024 | 9:00 a.m. | 220 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher, Chair
Sen. Ronald M. Winterton, Vice Chair
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. Jen Plumb
Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Members Absent:

President J. Stuart Adams
Sen. John D. Johnson
Sen. Stephanie Pitcher

Staff Present:

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
Lorna Wells, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Thatcher called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Winterton moved to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2024 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

1. S.B. 241 Funds Amendments (Ipson, D.)

MOTION: Sen. Winterton moved to replace S.B. 241 with 1st Substitute S.B. 241. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

Sen. Don Ipson presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 241 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

MOTION: Sen. Plumb moved to place 1st Substitute S.B. 241 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

2. S.B. 154 Independent Entities Amendments (McKell, M.)

MOTION: Sen. Winterton moved to replace S.B. 154 with 2nd Substitute S.B. 154. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

Sen. Michael McKell presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 154 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

3. S.B. 223 Youth Fee Waiver Amendments (Plumb, J.)

Sen. Plumb presented the bill.

Dani Nives, Division Director of Youth Homeless Services, Volunteers of America, Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rob Westman, Executive Director, NAMI Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Plumb moved to pass S.B. 223 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

4. H.C.R. 11 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing the Importance of Cross-issue Growth Impacts (Bolinder, B.)

Rep. Bridger Bolinder presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass H.C.R. 11 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

5. H.B. 370 Dispatcher Discipline Amendments (*Defay, A.*)

Rep. Ariel Defay presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass H.B. 370 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to saunter.

Chair Thatcher resumed the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

6. S.B. 227 Boards and Commissions Revisions (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Buxton presented the bill on behalf of Sen. Wayne Harper.

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to pass S.B. 227 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to place S.B. 227 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher

MOTION: Sen. Plumb moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher



Chair Thatcher adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.