



UTAH STATE

LEGISLATURE

# MINUTES

## HOUSE PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 | 8:00 a.m. | 110 Senate Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. Carl R. Albrecht, Chair  
Rep. Colin W. Jack, Vice Chair  
Rep. James Cobb  
Rep. Joseph Elison  
Rep. Jason B. Kyle  
Rep. Phil Lyman  
Rep. Matt MacPherson

Rep. Carol S. Moss  
Rep. Michael J. Petersen  
Rep. Judy Weeks Rohner  
Rep. Angela Romero

**Staff Present:**

Samantha D. Brucker, Managing Policy Analyst  
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Jack called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

### 1. S.J.R. 5 Joint Resolution Condemning Communism and Socialism (*Kennedy, M.*)

Sen. Kennedy introduced the resolution assisted by Carlos Moreno, Davey Pilla, and Julianna Colina, originally from Venezuela.

Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in support of the resolution.

**MOTION:** Rep. Petersen moved to pass S.J.R. 5 out favorably.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Rep. Moss moved to amend S.J.R. 5 with a verbal amendment to add the word fascism with communism and socialism wherever they appear. The substitute motion failed with a vote of 1 - 8 - 2.

Yeas - 1  
Rep. C. Moss

Nays - 8  
Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. M. Petersen

Absent - 2  
Rep. J. Rohner  
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. Petersen's motion to pass S.J.R. 5 out favorably passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 9  
Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. M. Petersen

Nays - 0

Absent - 2  
Rep. J. Rohner  
Rep. A. Romero

### 2. H.B. 307 Firearm Data Amendments (*Hayes, S.*)

Rep. Hayes introduced the bill.

Tom Ross, Executive Director, CCJJ, spoke in support of the bill.

Sinia Maile, West Valley City, spoke in support of the bill.

Linda Smith, League of Women Voters, spoke in support of the bill.

Brian Gwilliam, Chief of Police, Lone Peak Police Department, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to replace H.B. 307 with 1st Substitute H.B. 307. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht

Rep. M. MacPherson

Rep. J. Cobb

Rep. J. Elison

Rep. C. Jack

Rep. J. Kyle

Rep. P. Lyman

Rep. C. Moss

Rep. M. Petersen

Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. A. Romero

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 307 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1  
1st Sub. H.B. 307

1. Page 2, Lines 33 through 42:

33 (1) As used in this section:

34 (a) "Commission" means the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice.

35 (b) "Law enforcement agency" does not include{:

36 — (i) a law enforcement agency established under Title 23A, Wildlife Resources Act; or

37 — (ii) the Department of Corrections, including Adult Probation and Parole.

38 (2) (a) { Beginning } Except as provided in Subsection (2)(c), beginning on July 1, 2026, a law enforcement agency shall annually, on or

39 before April 30, submit a report to the commission for the previous calendar year containing:

40 (i) the number of crimes reported to or investigated by the law enforcement agency in

41 which the law enforcement agency determined that a lost or stolen firearm was used in the

42 commission of the crime, separated by the type of crime; and

2. Page 2, Lines 51 through 54:

51 (b) A law enforcement agency shall compile the report described in Subsection (2)(a)

52 for each calendar year in the standardized format developed by the commission under

53 Subsection (3).

(c) The reporting requirements under Subsection (2)(a)(i) do not apply to a crime or investigation for an offense under Title 23A, Wildlife Resources Act, that involves a firearm.

54 (3) The commission shall:

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. J. Rohner  
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. MacPherson

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 307 out favorably as amended. The motion failed with a vote of 5 - 5 - 1.

Yeas - 5

Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Rohner  
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 5

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. Petersen

Absent - 1

Rep. M. MacPherson

### **3. 2nd Sub. S.B. 145 Utility Easements Amendments (McCay, D.)**

Sen. McCay introduced the bill assisted by Joey Gilbert, President and CEO, Associated General Contractors representing commercial construction.

**MOTION:** Rep. Cobb moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 145 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 9

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. J. Rohner

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. Albrecht assumed the chair.

### **4. H.B. 215 Home Solar Energy Amendments (Jack, C.)**

Rep. Jack introduced the bill.

Ryan Stucki, CEO, Smart Wave Solar, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Doug Shipley, CEO, Intermountain Wind and Solar, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jared Parrish, General Counsel, Legacy Power, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Shawn Guzman, St. George City Attorney, spoke in support of the bill.

Mike Squires, Government Affairs Director, Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems, spoke in support of the bill.

Katie Hass, Director, Division of Consumer Protection, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to replace H.B. 215 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 215. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht

Rep. A. Romero

Rep. J. Cobb

Rep. J. Elison

Rep. C. Jack

Rep. J. Kyle

Rep. P. Lyman

Rep. M. MacPherson

Rep. C. Moss

Rep. M. Petersen

Rep. J. Rohner

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to amend 2nd Substitute H.B. 215 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1  
2nd Sub. H.B. 215

1. Page 1, Lines 12 through 19:

12 {~~requires a solar retailer to provide a disclosure statement to a potential customer at~~  
13 ~~least 10 days before entering into a solar agreement;~~}

14 ▶ requires a solar retailer to provide a copy of the signed agreement in electronic form, and offer the  
15 customer a paper form{~~to~~  
16 the customer};

17 ▶ prohibits beginning installation until ~~{15}~~ seven days after providing the signed copy of the  
18 solar agreement to the customer;

19 ▶ provides the customer with a ~~{15}~~ seven day cancellation period after receiving the  
19 agreement;

2. Page 2, Lines 38 through 40:

38 (1) [(a) Before] At ~~{least 10 days before}~~ the time of entering a solar agreement, a solar retailer shall  
39 provide to a potential customer a separate, written disclosure statement as provided in this  
40 section and, as applicable, Sections 13-52-202, 13-52-203, 13-52-204, and 13-52-205.

3. Page 4, Lines 112 through 113:

112 (8) a statement that the solar retailer may not begin installation of the system until at  
113 least ~~{15}~~ seven days after the day on which the solar retailer and customer enter into a contract;

4. Page 6, Line 150:

150 (a) in electronic and in paper form , unless the customer declines the paper copy in writing ; and

5. Page 6, Line 155:

155 (3) A solar retailer may not begin installation of any solar equipment until ~~{15}~~ seven days after

6. Page 6, Lines 158 through 160:

158 (4) A customer may, without penalty or obligation, cancel a solar agreement for any  
159 reason, within ~~{15}~~ seven days after the day on which the customer receives the solar agreement  
160 described in Subsection (1).

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. A. Romero

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 215 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 1 - 1.

Yeas - 9

Nays - 1

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. P. Lyman

Rep. A. Romero

**MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. A. Romero

Chair Albrecht adjourned the meeting at 9:46 a.m.