

**MINUTES OF THE  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE  
ROOM 405, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING  
January 29, 1998**

MEMBERS PRESENT:     Rep. Jordan Tanner, Chair  
                          Rep. Joseph G. Murray, Vice Chair  
                          Rep. Trisha Beck  
                          Rep. Afton B. Bradshaw  
                          Rep. Perry L. Buckner  
                          Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson  
                          Rep. Bryan D. Holladay  
                          Rep. Martin R. Stephens  
                          Rep. David L. Zolman

MEMBERS ABSENT:     Rep. Lowell A. Nelson

STAFF PRESENT:       John Cannon, Research Analyst  
                          Jennifer Lloyd, Committee Secretary

VISITORS:             Attached to and made a part of these minutes

Rep. Murray called the meeting to order at 3:19 p.m

**MOTION:**     Rep. Hendrickson moved to approve the minutes of January 27, 1998. The motion passed unanimously.

**1. S.B. 83 DIVISION OF PURCHASING AND GENERAL SERVICES AMENDMENTS**

Sen. Evans

Sen. Evans introduced the bill and explained its intent.

**MOTION:**     Rep. Holladay moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Beck and Stephens absent.

**2. H.B. 178 TASK FORCE ON WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION-Rep. Bradshaw**

Rep. Bradshaw introduced the bill and explained its intent.

David Spatafore, Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke to the bill.

Larry Bunkall, Utah Manufacturers's Association, spoke against the bill.

**MOTION:**     Rep. Bradshaw moved to adopt the following amendments:

1.     Page 1, Line 15:       Delete "nine" and insert "ten"

2. Page 1, Line 24: Delete "and"
3. Page 1, Line 25: After "employees" delete the period and insert "; and"
4. Page 1, Line 25: After line 25 insert "one representative of local government employers"

The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Rep. Stephens moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Holladay and Zolman voting against it.

**3. H.B. 76 UNCLAIMED PROPERTY AMENDMENTS-Rep. Valentine**

Rep. Valentine introduced the bill and explained its intent.

**MOTION:** Rep. Stephens moved to adopt 1<sup>st</sup> Sub. H.B. 76 "Unclaimed Property Amendments." The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bradshaw absent.

Jim Olsen, Utah Retail Grocers Association, spoke for the bill.

Richard Ellis, Deputy State Treasurer, spoke to the bill.

Margaret Bird, State Office of Education, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Zolman moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. H.B. 103 ETHICS LAW AMENDMENT-Rep. Stephens**

Rep. Stephens introduced the bill and explained its intent.

Mike Wims, Criminal Division, Attorney General Office, spoke for the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Zolman moved to pass the bill out favorably. The bill passed unanimously with Rep. Beck absent.

**5. H.B. 204 STATE ELECTION COMMISSION-Rep. Carlson**

Rep. Carlson introduced the bill and explained its intent.

**MOTION:** Rep. Buckner moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 17, Line 5: After "list of" delete "ten" and insert "four"
2. Page 19, Line 15: After "list of" delete "ten" and insert "four"

**SUB MOTION:** Rep. Bradshaw made a substitute motion to adopt the following amendments:

1. Page 17, Line 5: After "list of" delete "ten" and insert "six"
2. Page 19, Line 15: After "list of" delete "ten" and insert "six"

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Beck absent.

**MOTION:** Rep. Buckner moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Zolman voting against it and Rep. Beck and Stephens absent.

**MOTION:** Rep. Hendrickson moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

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Rep. Jordan Tanner, Chair