

**MINUTES OF THE
WORKFORCE SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**
ROOM 225 STATE CAPITOL BUILDING
January 27, 1998

Members Present: Rep. Orville D. Carnahan, Chair
Rep. Sheryl L. Allen, Vice-Chair
Rep. Gerry Adair
Rep. Jeff Alexander
Rep. Steve Barth
Rep. Duane Bourdeaux
Rep. Margaret Dayton
Rep. Lloyd Frandsen
Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow
Rep. J. Brent Haymond
Rep. Nora B. Stephens

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Arthur L. Hunsaker, Research Analyst
Beverly Weeks, Committee Secretary

Visitors List: List filed with Committee Minutes

Representative Orville D. Carnahan, Chair, called the committee to order at 2:12 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Stephens moved that the minutes of January 21, 1998 be approved as written.

The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Barth, Frandsen, Goodfellow and Haymond absent for the vote.

H.B. 83 Child Care Task Force (S. Allen)

Rep. Allen presented the bill saying that it's purpose was to create a Child Care Task Force to study the issue of Child Care in the State of Utah. The Task Force would study ways to provide child care at reasonable rates and with a provider that will nurture the child, and to improve child care. With more parents going off welfare it is necessary to have good child care available to them.

MOTION: Rep. Stephens moved that the bill be amended as follows:

1. Page 1, Line 12: Delete "16" and insert "18"
2. Page 1, Line 23: After "provider at a" insert "private"
3. Page 1, Line 24: Delete "one" and insert "three" and delete "parent" and insert "parents." and delete the rest of the line

4. Page 2, Line 16: Delete "and"
5. Page 2, Line 17: Delete "and" and after "accessibility" insert ", and whether unmet needs exist; and" and after line 17 insert:
"(e) the legitimate role of state government with respect to child care"

Speaking in support of the bill and amendment:

Karen Silver, Salt Lake Community Action
Jill Young, Utah Private Child Care Association

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Barth moved to amend the bill as follows:

Include all of Rep. Stephens' amendment with the following addition:

1. Page 1, Line 24: After "who is a" delete "child care" and after "consumer" insert "of state-provided child care" and after line 24 insert:
"(xi) one member shall be a parent who is a child development specialist."

MOTION: Rep. Stephens asked that the voting be divided on the motion.

Voting was held on Rep. Barth's motion. The motion failed with Reps. Adair, Alexander, Dayton, Carnahan, Stephens and Allen voting in opposition. Reps. Frandsen and Haymond were absent for the vote.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Goodfellow moved to amend the bill as follows (amendments combined Rep. Goodfellow's additions to Rep. Stephens' original amendments with necessary technical changes):

1. Page 1, Line 12: Delete "16" and insert "18"
2. Page 1, Line 23: After "provider at a" insert "private"
3. Page 1, Line 24: Delete "one" and insert "three" and delete "parent" and insert "parents." and delete the rest of the line
4. Page 2, Line 17: Delete "and" and after "accessibility" insert ", and whether unmet needs exist;" and after line 17 insert:
"(e) the legitimate role of state government with respect to child care;
(f) child development and enrichment programs; and
(g) review of rules and regulations.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Adair, Frandsen and Haymond absent for the vote.

Speaking in favor of the bill:

Mary Bissonette, Utah Children and Director of Box Elder Family Support Center
Mary Mark, Women for the 21st Century
Rachael Fish, Child Advocate

MOTION: Rep. Allen moved that the bill be passed out favorably.

The motion passed with Reps. Alexander, Dayton, and Stephens voting in opposition. Reps. Haymond and Adair were absent for the vote.

H.B. 208

Unemployment Insurance Amendments (*J. Alexander*)

Rep. Alexander explained that the bill makes the chair of the workforce appeals board a part-time employee; clarifies when a person has a right of appeal before the board; requires that unemployment compensation be used to repay an overissuance of food stamps; and makes technical and conforming amendments. It brings State laws into conformance with Federal Laws.

Mason Bishop, Department of Workforce Services helped to answer questions about the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Stephens moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Adair and Haymond absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Bourdeaux moved that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion passed unanimously and was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

Rep. Orville D. Carnahan, Chair

Rep. Sheryl L. Allen, Vice-Chair