

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE ENERGY, NATURAL RESOURCES AND  
AGRICULTURE  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1998  
ROOM 414, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING**

Members Present: Sen. Alarik Myrin, Chair  
Sen. John Holmgren  
Sen. Joseph Hull  
Sen. Lorin Jones  
Sen. Pete Suazo

Members Absent: Sen. Mont Evans

Staff Present: Connie Steffen, Senior Analyst  
Crelley Mackey, Secretary

List of others present on file.

Sen. Myrin called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m.

**S.C.R. 2 RESOLUTION URGING CREATION OF THE SAN RAFAEL SWELL NATIONAL HERITAGE/CONSERVATION AREA(Sen. M. Dmitrich)**

Sen. Dmitrich said the resolution urges Congress to create a heritage area within the San Rafael Swell. The proposal was developed by a broad-based group of individuals.

The following spoke in support of the resolution: J. Howard Johnson, Emery County Commission; Dotti Brockbank, Department of Natural Resources; Dave Terry, School and Institutional Trust Lands.

**MOTION:** Sen. Suazo moved to amend the bill as follows:  
Page 2, Line 11: After "ranching" insert "and mining"

The motion passed unanimously.

Bob Walton, Sierra Club, noted they have not had time to review the proposal.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hull moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion passed with Senators Hull, Suazo, and Myrin voting in favor and Senator Jones voting in opposition. Sen. Holmgren was absent at the time of voting.

**S.B. 104 AMENDMENTS TO AGRICULTURAL EXEMPTION FOR AGRICULTURAL WORKERS (R. Steiner)**

Sen. Steiner said the approach of the bill is to cover as many farm workers by workers compensation insurance as possible.

He concurred with Sen. Myrin's suggestion to hold the bill until a house bill dealing with the issue is in the possession of the committee so the two policies can be considered together.

The following spoke in support of the bill: Fay Lincoln, University of Utah Hospital.

Sen . Myrin declared a conflict of interest.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill: Kim Christy, Utah Farm Bureau.

**MOTION:** Sen. Jones moved to hold the bill.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Sen. Suazo moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Line 22: Delete "1996" and insert "1997"
2. Page 3, Line 23: Delete "1997" and insert "1998"
3. Page 3, Line 24: Delete "1998" and insert "1999"
4. Page 3, Line 25: Delete "1999" and insert "2000"
5. Page 3, Line 25: Delete "2000" and insert "2001"
6. Page 3, Line 27: Delete "2001" and insert "2002"

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Holmgren absent at the time of voting.

**MOTION:** Sen. Jones moved to hold the bill until the other worker's compensation bill is in the possession of the committee.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Holmgren absent at the time of voting.

**S.B. 113, LOADED VEHICLES - EXEMPTION FOR FARM VEHICLES (J. Hull)**

Sen. Hull said the bill exempts farm vehicles from restrictions regarding loaded vehicles in some circumstances.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill: Col. Richard Greenwood, Utah Highway Patrol; Claron Brenchley Utah Highway Patrol.

Kim Christy, Utah Farm Bureau spoke in support of the bill.

Sen. Hull requested to hold the bill to work on it further.

**UTAH TOMORROW STRATEGIC PLAN**

Sen. Hull explained the purpose of the strategic plan.

**MOTION:** Sen. Jones moved to approve the minutes of January 20, 1998.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Holmgren absent at the time of voting.

**MOTION:** Sen. Jones moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Holmgren absent at the time of voting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Minutes reported by Crelley Mackey

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Senator Alarik Myrin, Chair