

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE  
ROOM 405, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING  
February 13, 2003**

MEMBERS PRESENT:      Rep. James A. Ferrin, Chair  
                                 Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, Vice Chair  
                                 Rep. Doug Aagard  
                                 Rep. DeMar "Bud" Bowman  
                                 Rep. Don E. Bush  
                                 Rep. Neil A. Hansen  
                                 Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson  
                                 Rep. Rosalind J. McGee  
                                 Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold  
                                 Rep. Loraine T. Pace

MEMBERS ABSENT:      Rep. Ron Bigelow

STAFF PRESENT:        John Cannon, Policy Analyst  
                                 Sylvia Newton, Committee Secretary

VISITORS:              List filed with committee minutes.

Rep. Ferrin called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

MOTION:      Rep. Hansen moved to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2003 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Aagard, Rep. Hendrickson, Rep. McGee, and Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote.

**H.B. 145      Department of Administrative Services Amendments (*L. Pace*)**

MOTION:      Rep. Pace moved to delete H.B. 145 in title and body and replace it with 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute H.B. 145. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hendrickson and Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote.

Rep. Pace introduced 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute H.B. 145 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in favor of the bill:      Steve Saltzgeber, Director of Fleet Operations, Department of Administrative Services

MOTION:      Rep. Hansen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bowman absent for the vote.

**H.B. 155      Amendments to Election Law (*B. Goodfellow*)**

Rep. Goodfellow introduced H.B. 155 and explained it to the committee.

MOTION:      Rep. Bush moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bowman absent for the vote.

MOTION:      Rep. Hendrickson moved to place H.B. 155 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bowman absent for the vote.

**H.J.R. 17      Resolution Creating a Decennial Redistricting Commission (*R. McGee*)**

Rep. McGee introduced H.J.R. 17 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in favor of the bill:      Cassie Dippo, Common Cause of Utah  
Sandy Peck, League of Women Voters

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

**SUBSTITUTE**

MOTION:      Rep. Hendrickson moved to proceed to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with Rep. Bush, Rep. McGee, and Rep. Hutchings voting in opposition to the motion.

**H.B. 99      Certification of Candidates for Political Offices (*N. Hansen*)**

MOTION:      Rep. Hansen moved to delete in title and body H.B. 99 and replace it with 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute H.B. 99. The motion passed unanimously.

Spoke in favor of the bill:      Todd Taylor, Executive Director, Utah Democratic Party

MOTION:      Rep. Hendrickson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion failed with Rep. Hansen, Rep. Hendrickson, Rep. McGee, and Rep. Hutchings voting in favor of the motion.

**H.B. 150      Poll Watcher and Preservation of Election Date Amendments (*J. M. Philpot*)**

MOTION:      Rep. Newbold moved to delete in title and body H.B. 150 and replace it with 2nd Substitute H.B. 150. The motion passed unanimously.

Spoke against the bill:      Sherrie Swensen, Salt Lake County Clerk  
Brad Harmon, Deputy Salt Lake County Sheriff  
Sheri McKendrick, West Valley City Recorder, President, Utah  
Municipal Clerks Association  
Jerry Medina, Holladay City Recorder

MOTION: Rep. Hendrickson moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Line 70: After line 70, insert, “(d) Any counting poll watcher who violates Subsection (3) (c) is guilty of a class “C” misdemeanor.”
2. Page 4, Line 118: After line 118, insert, “(d) Any counting poll watcher who violates Subsection (3) (c) is guilty of a class “C” misdemeanor.”
3. Page 6, Line 161: After line 161, insert “(D) Any counting poll watcher who violates Subsection (2)(d)(i)(C) is guilty of a class “C” misdemeanor.”

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Rep. Pace moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Line 62: After "have" delete "unrestricted"

MOTION: Rep. Hutchings moved to adjourn. The motion failed with Rep. Bush, Rep. McGee, Rep. Pace, Rep. Hutchings, and Rep. Ferrin voting in favor of the motion.

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Rep. McGee moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Line 62: After "have" delete "unrestricted" and insert "reasonable"

The substitute motion to amend the bill passed with Rep. Aagard, Rep. Bush, Rep. Newbold, and Rep. Ferrin voting in opposition to the motion.

MOTION: Rep. Hutchings moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Line 62: After “access” delete “to” and insert “inside”

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Rep. Hendrickson moved to pass the bill as amended out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Hutchings moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.