

MINUTES OF THE
SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE
Thursday, January 29, 2004
Room 131, State Capitol Building

Members Present Sen. Beverly Ann Evans, Chair
 Sen. Gene Davis
 Sen. Thomas Hatch
 Sen. Parley G. Hellewell
 Sen. Scott K. Jenkins
 Sen. Paula F. Julander
 Sen. Bill Wright

Members Excused: Sen. Leonard M. Blackham

Staff Present: J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
 Norda Shepard, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Sen. Mike Dmitrich
 Debbie Goodman, Utah Audubon Society
 Don Leonard
 Sherm Hoskins, Department of Natural Resources
 Lowell Braxton, Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining
 Linda Hull, UDOT
 Margaret Godfrey, Utah Travel Council
 John Hill, Rocky Mountain Gas Association
 Rep. Gordon E. Snow
 Craig Cottle, Bureau Manager, DOPL

A list of visitors is filed with the committee minutes.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Evans at 9:10 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Hellewell moved to approve the minutes of 1-21-04.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Davis, Sen. Julander, and Sen. Wright absent at the time of the vote.

1. S.B. 76 Revisions to Royalty on Brine Shrimp (Sen. T. Hatch)

MOTION: Sen. Hatch moved to delete in title and body S.B. 76 and insert in its place 1st Substitute S.B. 76 Revisions to Royalty on Brine Shrimp.

The motion passed with Sen. Evans, Sen. Hatch, and Sen. Hellewell voting in favor; Sen. Jenkins voting against and Sen. Davis, Sen. Julander and Sen. Wright absent at the time of the vote.

Sen. Hatch presented the substitute bill and proposed amendments.

MOTION: Sen. Hatch moved to adopt the following amendments to 1st Sub. S.B. 76:

Page 2, Lines 40 through 44

Delete Lines 40 through 44

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Davis, Sen. Julander and Sen. Wright absent at the time of the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Hatch moved to adopt the following amendments to 1st Sub. S.B. 76:

1. Page 1, Lines 17 through 18:

17 ▶ grants rulemaking authority to the Utah State Tax Commission ~~[[and the~~
Department
~~18 of Natural Resources]]~~ ; ←

2. Page 3, Lines 83 through 86:

83 ~~[[(d) In accordance with Title 63, Chapter 46a, Utah Administrative Rulemaking~~
~~**Act, the**~~
~~84 **Department of Natural Resources may make rules to establish standards for determining**~~
~~**the**~~
~~85 **total gross volume of unprocessed brine shrimp eggs harvested by each person.**]]~~
86 ~~[[(e)]]~~ (d) (i) The commission shall prepare and mail a billing statement to each
person that ←

3. Page 4, Line 89:

89 (ii) The billing statement under Subsection (2) ~~[[(e)]]~~ (d) (i) shall specify: ←

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Davis and Sen. Wright absent at the time of the vote.

Sen. Evans turned the chair to Sen. Jenkins.

Debbie Goodman, Utah Audubon Society, Don Leonard, representing the brine shrimp industry, and Sherm Hoskins, Department of Natural Resources spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Wright moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 76, Revisions to Royalty on Brine Shrimp (*T. Hatch*) out with a favorable recommendation as amended.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Evans absent at the time of the vote.

2. S.B. 46 Sunset Date Extension of Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (*Sen. M. Dmitrich*)

Sen. Mike Dmitrich presented the bill. Lowell Braxton, Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, spoke in support.

MOTION: Sen. Hellewell moved to pass S.B 46 Sunset Date Extension of Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (*Sen. M. Dmitrich*) out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Evans absent at the time of the vote.

3. H.B. 18 Utah State Scenic Byway Committee (*Rep. J. Dougall*)

Sen. Dmitrich presented the bill. Margaret Godfrey, Utah Travel Council, and Linda Hull, UDOT spoke in support.

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to pass H. B. 18 Utah State Scenic Byway Committee out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Evans absent at the time of the vote.

Sen. Jenkins returned the chair to Sen. Evans

4. H.B. 49 Natural Gas Technician Certification (*Rep. G. Snow*)

Rep. Gordon E. Snow presented the bill. John Hill, Rocky Mountain Gas Association and Craig Cottle, Bureau Director, DOPL, spoke in support.

MOTION: Sen. Hellewell moved to amend H.B. 49 with the following amendment:

Page 11, Line 315 After "valve" insert "at the appliance"

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to pass H.B. 49 Natural Gas Technician Certification (*Rep. G. Snow*) out with a favorable recommendation as amended.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Wright moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

Minutes were reported by Norda Shepard, Secretary

Beverly Ann Evans, Committee Chair