

**MINUTES OF THE
WORKFORCE SERVICES & COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2004 - 4:00 P.M.
Room 414/416, State Capitol Building**

Members Present: Sen. David Thomas, Committee Chair
Sen. Thomas Hatch
Sen. Lyle Hillyard
Sen. Scott Jenkins
Sen. Paula Julander
Sen. Sheldon Killpack
Sen. Ed Mayne

Members Excused: Sen. John Valentine

Staff Present: Art Hunsaker, Policy Analyst
Bonnie Brinton, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Sen. Howard Stephenson
Christopher Love, Director, Division of Employment Insurance
John Ward, Chief Financial Officer, Harmons
Tom Bingham, President, Utah Manufacturers Association
Larry Bunkall, Utah Mining Association, Parsons, Behle &
Latimer
Tim Shultz, Utah Issues
Rep. Sheryl L. Allen
Rep. Chad E. Bennion

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2004, meeting.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Hatch, Jenkins and Julander absent at the time of voting.

1. S.B. 202 Unemployment Insurance Amendments (Sen. H. Stephenson)

Sen. Stephenson presented the bill and responded to questions from Committee members. He also distributed handouts that clarified the bill.

Christopher Love, Director, Division of Employment Insurance, further clarified the bill and responded to questions from Committee members.

Sen. Mayne provided historical background information on the bill.

John Ward, Chief Financial Officer, Harmons, spoke in support of the bill.

Tom Bingham, President, Utah Manufacturers Association, spoke in support of the bill.

Larry Bunkall, Utah Mining Association, Parsons, Behle & Latimer, spoke in support of the bill.

Tim Shultz, Utah Issues, spoke in support of the bill with reservation.

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to pass S.B. 202 out of committee with a favorable recommendation and recommended that the Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council work out the concerns with lines of 259 to 270.

The motion passed with Sen. Julander voting in opposition to the motion and Sens. Hatch and Hillyard absent at the time of voting.

2. H.B. 256 Expansion of Economic Development Webpage (Rep. S. Allen)

Rep. S. Allen presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Killpack moved to pass H.B. 256 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Hatch, Hillyard and Mayne absent at the time of voting.

3. H.C.R. 3 Resolution Urging Protection of United States from Weapons of Mass Destruction (Rep. C. Bennion)

Rep. Bennion presented the resolution.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved to pass H.C.R. 3 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed with Sen. Julander voting in opposition to the motion and Sens. Hatch

and Mayne absent at the time of voting.

MOTION: Sen. Killpack moved to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Hatch and Mayne absent at the time of voting.

Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Minutes were reported by Bonnie Brinton, Secretary.

Sen. David Thomas, Committee Chair