

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 4, 2005  
ROOM W020, WEST OFFICE BUILDING, STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX**

Members Present: Sen. Allen Christensen, Chair  
Sen. Ron Allen  
Sen. Gregory Bell

Member Excused: President John Valentine  
Sen. Paula Julander  
Sen. Peter Knudson

Staff Present: Mark Andrews, Policy Analyst  
Nedra Duzett, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Wu Xu, Dept. of Health, Health Data Committee Exec. Secretary  
Judy Buffmire, Health Data Committee  
David Gessel, Vice Chair, Utah Hospitals  
Marc Bennett, CEO, Health Insight  
Jim Olsen, Utah Food Industry Assn., and Utah Retail Merchants  
Jeff Coombs, Environmental Health Director, Tooele Health Dept.  
Laura Poe, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing  
Ken Stettler Dept. of Human Services, Office of Licensing  
Jeff Smith, National Assn. of Therapeutic Schools & Programs  
Frazer Nelson, Disability Law Center  
Tammy Johnson, Majestic Ranch  
Shelly Teusher, Director Government Relations  
Christy Poncznik, Epidemiologist, Utah Dept. of Health

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

Committee Chair Christensen called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

**MOTION:** Sen. Allen moved to approve the minutes of February 2, 2005.

The motion passed unanimously.

**1. S.B. 132 Health Care Consumer's Report (A. Christensen)**

Sen. Christensen explained the bill.

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

1. Page 1, Line 16: After "public;" insert "and"
2. Page 1, Lines 19-21: Delete lines 19 through 21
3. Page 2, Line 29-30: Delete lines 29 through 30
4. Page 3, Lines 61-71: Delete lines 61 through 71

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Allen absent for the vote.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Wu Xu, Dept. of Health, Health Data Committee Executive Secretary  
Judy Buffmire, Health Data Committee  
David Gessel, Vice-Chair, Utah Hospitals  
Marc Bennett, CEO, Health Insight

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to pass the bill as amended with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Allen absent for the vote.

2. **S.B. 50 Controlled Substance Amendments** (P. Arent)

Sen. Arent explained the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Laura Poe, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing  
Christy Poncznik, Epidemiologist, Utah Dept. of Health

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Arent requested the bill be placed on the consent calendar.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to place the bill on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

**3. S.B. 150 Food Safety Manager Certification (D. Peterson)**

Sen. Peterson explained 1st substitute S.B. 150.

The following spoke in support of the substitute bill:

Jim Olsen, Utah Food Industry Assn. and Utah Retail Merchants Assn.  
Jeff Coombs, Environmental Health Director, Tooele Health Dept.

**MOTION:** Sen. Allen moved to adopt the substitute bill.

The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to pass the substitute bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

**4. S.B. 176 Programs and Facilities Licensing Amendments (D. C. Buttars)**

Sen. Buttars explained the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Ken Stettler Dept. of Human Services, Office of Licensing  
Jeff Smith, National Assn. of Therapeutic Schools & Programs  
Frazer Nelson, Disability Law Center

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Tammy Johnson, Majestic Ranch  
Shelly Teusher, Director Government Relations

**MOTION:** Sen. Allen moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

**5. S.B. 165 Child Welfare Services (P. Hellewell)**

The bill was not discussed.

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**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Christensen adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Minutes reported by Nedra Duzett, Secretary.

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Sen. Allen Christensen, Committee Chair