

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE
ROOM W125, WEST OFFICE BUILDING, STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX
February 13, 2006**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Bradley G. Last, Chair
 Rep. Paul Ray, Vice Chair
 Rep. D. Gregg Buxton
 Rep. David Litvack
 Rep. Steven R. Mascaro
 Rep. Ronda R. Menlove

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Patricia W. Jones
 Rep. Rebecca Lockhart

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Andrews, Policy Analyst
 Catherine Dupont, Associate General Counsel
 Sylvia Newton, House Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Rep. Last called the meeting to order at 4:24 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Buxton moved to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2006 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Menlove absent for the vote.

H.B. 343 Health Insurance Prompt Pay Amendments (*Rep. S. Urquhart*)

Rep. Urquhart introduced H.B. 343 and explained it to the committee assisted by Kim Wirthlin, University of Utah Health Care.

Spoke in opposition to the bill: Kelly Atkinson, Utah Health Insurance Association
 Jennifer Cannaday, Regence Blue Cross, Blue Shield

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to pass H.B. 343 out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Litvack voting in opposition to the motion.

H.B. 24 Medicaid Dental Reimbursement Amendments (*Rep. S. Mascaro*)

MOTION: Rep. Mascaro moved to delete in title and body H.B. 24 and replace it with 2nd Sub. H.B. 24, Medicaid Dental and Physician Reimbursement Amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Mascaro introduced 2nd Sub. H.B. 24 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Tom Metcalf, M.D., Intermountain Pediatric Society

MOTION: Rep. Menlove moved to pass 2nd Sub. H.B. 24 out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Last voting in opposition to the motion and Rep. Litvack absent for the vote.

1st Sub. S.B. 152 Medicaid Task Force (Sen. S. Killpack)

Sen. Killpack introduced 1st Sub. S.B. 152 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Judi Hilman, Voices for Utah Children (handout)
Paul Mero, Sutherland Institute

MOTION: Rep. Litvack moved to pass 1st Sub. S.B. 152 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 186 Suicide Prevention Plan (Rep. D. Hogue)

Rep. Hogue introduced H.B. 186 and explained it to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Litvack moved to pass H.B. 186 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 288 Health Care Amendments for Foster Children (Rep. D. Hogue)

Rep. Hogue introduced H.B. 288 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Karen Crompton, Voices for Utah Children (handout)
Pamela Atkinson, Community Advocate
Duane Betournay, Division of Children and Family Services
Steve Erickson, Utah Issues
Tom Metcalf, M.D., Intermountain Pediatric Society

MOTION: Rep. Mascaro moved to pass H.B. 288 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

H.J.R. 26 Resolution Urging Congress to Appropriate Adequate Funds for Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage Counseling (*Rep. T. Cosgrove*)

Rep. Cosgrove introduced H.J.R. 26 and explained it to the committee, assisted by Karmen Sanone, Salt Lake County Aging Services.

Spoke in favor of the resolution: Brian Palfreyman, pharmaceutical technician

MOTION: Rep. Buxton moved to pass H.J.R. 26 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Mascaro moved to place H.J.R. 26 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Buxton moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Last adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

Rep. Bradley G. Last
Committee Chair