

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE RETIREMENT AND INDEPENDENT ENTITIES STANDING COMMITTEE  
Room W020, State Capitol Complex  
January 31, 2007**

**Members Present:** Rep. John Dougall, Chair  
Rep. Aaron Tilton, Vice Chair  
Rep. David Clark  
Rep. Neil A. Hansen  
Rep. Bradley G. Last  
Rep. Karen W. Morgan  
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold  
Rep. LaWanna Shurtliff

**Members Absent:** Rep. Wayne A. Harper

**Staff Present:** Mr. Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst  
Mr. Dee S. Larsen, Associate General Counsel  
Ms. Barbara Bryner, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Dougall called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Hansen moved to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2007 meeting.  
The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Newbold and Rep. Shurtliff absent for the vote..

**1. H.B. 294 Benefits and Insurance of Constitutional Officers (Rep. M. Noel)**

Rep. Noel explained the bill to the committee.

Mark Shurtliff, Attorney General, spoke for the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Hansen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Clark and Rep. Dougall voting against the motion and Rep. Newbold and Rep. Shurtliff absent for the vote..

**2. H.B. 198 Public Safety Retirement (Rep. R. Bigelow)**

Rep. Bigelow explained the bill to the committee.

Kelly Atkinson, Fraternal Order of Police-State Lodge, and Val Shute, Ogden City Police spoke for the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Morgan moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Tilton and Rep. Dougall voting against the motion.

**3. H.B. 12 Additional State Retirement Benefit (Rep. L. Shurtliff)**

Rep. Shurtliff explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of Ruby Hammel, Utah School Employees Association.

Courtney White, Utah Education Association spoke for the bill.

Robert Newman, Director, Utah Retirement Systems, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Hansen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Last, Rep. Tilton and Rep. Dougall voting against the motion and Rep. Clark absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Hansen moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Clark absent for the vote. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

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Rep. John Dougall, Chair