

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS  
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room W125, West Office Building, Utah State Capitol Complex  
Friday, February 1, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT:     Rep. Fred R Hunsaker, Chair  
                          Rep. Gage Froerer, Vice Chair  
                          Rep. Sheryl L. Allen  
                          Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck  
                          Rep. James A. Dunnigan  
                          Rep. Kerry W. Gibson  
                          Rep. Richard A. Greenwood  
                          Rep. Jennifer M. Seelig  
                          Rep. LaWanna Lou Shurtliff  
                          Rep. R. Curt Webb

MEMBERS ABSENT:     Rep. Stephen H. Urquhart

STAFF PRESENT:       Joseph Wade, Policy Analyst  
                          Doris Donat, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Froerer opened the meeting at 8:08 a.m.

**H.B. 310     Absentee Ballot Revisions (*Rep. D. Aagard*)**

Rep. Aagard introduced and explained the bill to the Committee.

Spoke to the bill:    Pat Beckstead, Elections Director

MOTION:     Rep. Gibson moved that the Committee recommend H.B. 310 favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Allen, Rep. Seelig, Rep. Shurtliff, and Rep. Urquhart absent for the vote.

MOTION:     At the request of the bill sponsor Rep. Aagard, Rep. Gibson moved that H.B. 310 be placed on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Allen, Rep. Seelig, Rep. Shurtliff, and Rep. Urquhart absent for the vote.

**S.B. 12     Election Law Modifications (*Sen. P. Knudson*) (**Rep. D. Aagard**)**

Sen. Knudson introduced and explained the bill to the Committee, with the help of Michael Cragun, Deputy Chief of Staff, Lt. Governor's Office.

MOTION: Rep. Hunsaker moved that the Committee recommend S.B. 12 favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Seelig, Rep. Shurtliff, and Rep. Urquhart absent for the vote.

**S.B. 22      Timing of Ballot Items (*Sen. P. Knudson*) (**Rep. E. Hutchings**)**

Sen. Knudson introduced and explained the bill to the Committee, with the help of Michael Cragun, Deputy Chief of Staff, Lt. Governor's Office.

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved that the Committee recommend S.B. 22 favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Seelig and Rep. Urquhart absent for the vote.

**S.B. 23      Revision to Polling Requirements (*Sen. P. Knudson*) (**Rep. E. Hutchings**)**

Sen. Knudson introduced and explained the bill to the Committee, with the help of Michael Cragun, Deputy Chief of Staff, Lt. Governor's Office.

Spoke to the bill: Pat Beckstead, Election Director

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved that the Committee recommend S.B. 23 favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Urquhart absent for the vote.

MOTION: At the request of the bill sponsor Sen. Knudson, Rep. Dunnigan moved that S.B. 23 be placed on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Urquhart absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous. Rep. Froerer adjourned the meeting at 8:30.

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Rep. Fred R Hunsaker, Chair