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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, & ENVIRONMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE

Room W125, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex
January 31, 2008

Members Present: Rep. Roger E. Barrus, Chair
Rep. Kerry Gibson, Vice Chair
Rep. Sylvia Andersen
Rep. Mel Brown
Rep. Glenn Donnelson
Rep. Jack Draxler
Rep. Carl Duckworth
Rep. James Gowans
Rep. Neal Hendrickson
Rep. John Mathis
Rep. Mike Noel
Rep. Patrick Painter
Rep. Phil Riesen
Rep. Steve Sandstrom
Rep. Richard Winn

Staff Present: Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
Carrie Griffith, Committee Secretary

Note: List of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes

Rep. Barrus called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m.

H.B. 51 Water Right Forfeiture Protection (Rep. P. Painter)

MOTION: Rep. Painter moved to delete in title and body **H.B. 51** and replace it with **2nd Sub. H.B. 51**. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown, Rep. Donnelson and Rep. Sandstrom absent for the vote.

Declaring a conflict of interest, Rep. Painter explained the bill to the committee. **(handouts)**

Spoke against the bill: Rep. Ben Ferry
Rep. Mike Styler, Director of Natural Resources
Norman Johnson, Assistant Attorney General
Dennis Strong, Director Utah Division of Water Resources
Dean Baker, Rancher Snake Valley, Western Utah and Eastern Nevada
Dave Ure, former Representative and farmer

Todd Bingham, Utah Farm Bureau
Randy Crozier, President Utah Water Users Association
Kelly Bird, Moon Lake Water Users Association
Lynn Burton, Lake Fork and Uintah Rivers Associated Water Users
Peter Greathouse, Millard County farmer and rancher

Spoke for the bill: Steven Clyde, Central Utah Water Conservancy District

MOTION: Rep. Draxler moved to pass **2nd Sub. H.B. 51** out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to delete in title and body **2nd Sub. H.B. 51** and replace it with **1st Sub. H.B. 51**.

Rep. Brown moved to cut off debate on the substitute motion to adopt **1st Sub. H.B. 51**. The motion to cut off debate passed.

The substitute motion to adopt **1st Sub. H.B. 51** failed with Rep. Gibson voting in the affirmative.

The original motion to pass out favorably **2nd Sub. H.B. 51** passed with Rep. Barrus, Rep. Gibson and Rep. Winn voting in opposition.

MOTION: Rep. Noel moved to adjourn.

Rep. Barrus adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Rep. Roger E. Barrus, Chair