

**MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE JUDICIARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT & CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2010, 8:30 PM  
ROOM 250, STATE CAPITOL**

Members Present: Sen. Mark B. Madsen, Chair  
Sen. Jon J. Greiner  
Sen. Benjamin M. McAdams  
Sen. Ross J. Romero  
Sen. Michael Waddoups

Members Excused: Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard

Staff Present: Jerry Howe, Policy Analyst  
Karen Allred, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Esther Chelsea-McCarty, Attorney, Office of Legislative Research  
and General Counsel  
Richard H. Schwermer, Assistant State Court Administrator, Utah  
District Court  
Robert Jeffs, President-elect, Utah State Bar  
Supreme Court Justice Jill N. Parrish

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

Committee Chair Madsen called the meeting to order at 8:345 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Sen. Romero moved to approve the minutes of January 26, 2010.

The motion passed unanimously.

**1. S.B. 108 Judicial Nominating Commission Staff Amendments (S. Jenkins)**

Sen. Jenkins introduced the bill and 1st Sub. S.B. 108 was distributed.

**MOTION:** Sen. Greiner moved to adopt 1st Sub. S.B. 108.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Jenkins explained the bill assisted by Esther Chelsea-McCarty, Attorney, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

Robert Jeffs, Attorney, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Richard Schwermer, Asst. State Court Administrator, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Waddoups moved to pass 1st Sub. S.B. 108 the bill out favorably.

The motion passed with Sens. Madsen, Greiner and Waddoups voting in favor and Sens. McAdams and Romero voting in opposition.

**2. S.B. 109 Chief Justice of the Utah Supreme Court Appointment (*S. Jenkins*)**

Sen. Jenkins explained the bill and answered questions from the committee.

Supreme Court Justice Jill N. Parrish spoke in opposition to the bill.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Madsen adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

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Sen. Mark M. Madsen, Committee Chairman