

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS &
POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE
THURSDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2011, 8:00 A.M.
ROOM 415 STATE CAPITOL**

Members Present: Sen. Peter C. Knudson, Chair
Sen. Margaret Dayton
Sen. Scott K. Jenkins
Sen. Luz Robles
Sen. Daniel Thatcher

Staff Present: Rich North, Policy Analyst
Jolene Morgan, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Brett Tolman, Attorney
Todd Langfried, Arizona Employee
Mark Alvarez, Attorney
Ron Mortensen, Citizen
Todd Rathner, Lobbyist
Jim Brown, Owner
Kris Hamlet, Deputy Director, Utah Department of Homeland Security
George Chapman
LeGrand Bitten, Executive Director, UASD
John Bond, Treasurer for Weber County

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

Committee Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 8:15a.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2011.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Thatcher and Robles absent for the vote.

1. **SB 72 - Initiative Amendments**

Sen. Hillyard introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass SB 72 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Thatcher and Robles absent for the vote.

2. **HB 54 S 2 - Electronic Communications in Public Meetings**

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved to substitute 2nd Sub. HB 54 bill with 3rd Sub. HB 54.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Thatcher and Robles absent for the vote.

Rep. Powell introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 54 S 3 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Thatcher and Robles absent for the vote.

3. **SJR 18 - Immigration Joint Resolution**

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to adopt amendment #1 to this bill.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Thatcher and Robles absent for the vote.

1. *Page 1, Lines 14 through 17:*

14 This resolution:

15 ▶ strongly urges the United States Congress to address federal immigration reform

16 and to incorporate an increased and complementary role for states for reasons of

17 greater efficiency and coordination; ~~{and}~~

urges that Utah's legislative leaders and Utah's congressional delegation formally meet collaboratively to discuss the proper role of each in developing and implementing immigration policy; and

2. *Page 3, Line 82 through Page 4, Line 95:*

82 WHEREAS, the Utah Compact is being used as a reference point for state
immigration

83 regulation by Colorado, Arizona, Texas, Nebraska, Indiana, Georgia, and Florida;
~~{and}~~

84 WHEREAS, federal immigration reform should include an increased and
85 complementary role for states to play that will improve efficiency and
coordination ~~{and}~~ **∴**

WHEREAS, Utah's legislative leaders and Utah's congressional delegation have not formally met collaboratively to discuss immigration reform; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial for both the Utah Legislature and Utah's congressional delegation to better understand the proper role of each party in

developing and implementing immigration policy:

86 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
87 strongly urges the United States Congress to address federal immigration reform and to
88 incorporate an increased and complementary role for states for reasons of greater
efficiency and
89 coordination.

90 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah recommends
91 that state immigration regulation proposals concerning immigration enforcement, state
work
92 permits, guest worker programs that go beyond the current federal program, business
licenses,
93 professional licenses, Driving Privilege Cards, in-state tuition requirements, and variations
on
94 these issues be delayed until after January 28, 2013, to allow federal immigration reform to
95 take place.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of
Utah urges that meetings take place between Utah's congressional delegation and
Utah's legislative leadership for the purpose of working colloaboratively to address
the proper role of each in developing and implementing immigration policy.**

Sen. Romero introduced and explained the bill as amended.

Brett Tolman, Todd Langfried, and Mark Alvarez spoke for the bill.

Ron Mortensen spoke in against the bill

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to pass SJR 18 out of committee with a favorable
recommendation.

The motion failed, with Sen. Robles voting in favor and Sens. Knudson and Dayton voting
in opposition with Sens. Jenkins and Thatcher absent for the vote

4. **HB 254 - Emergency Procedures Amendments**

Rep. Greenwood introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 254 out of committee with a favorable
recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Jenkins and Thatcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to put HB 254 on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Jenkins and Thatcher absent for the vote.

5. **HB 271 - Restrictions on Political Subdivisions Regarding the Regulation of Knives**

Rep. Wilcox introduced and explained the bill.

Todd Rathner, and Jim Brown spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 271 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

6. **HB 80 - Emergency Management**

Rep. Oda introduced and explained the bill.

Kris Hamlet, Deputy Director for Utah Department of Public Safety Division of Homeland Security spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 80 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to put HB 80 on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

7. **HB 228 - Administrative Rules Reauthorization**

Rep. Oda introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 228 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to put HB 228 on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

8. **HCR 3 S 1 - Concurrent Resolution Urging Congress to Pass Balanced Budget Amendment to U.S. Constitution**

Rep. Wimmer introduced and explained the bill.

George Chapman spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HCR 3 S 1 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

9. **HB 163 - Revisor's Statute**

Rep. Dayton introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 163 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to put HB 163 on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

10. **HB 263 S 1 - Local District Services Amendments**

Rep. Clark introduced and explained the bill.

LeGrand Bitten spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 263 S 1 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote.

11. **HB 268 S 1 - Municipal Enforcement Regarding Property Maintenance**

Rep. Morley introduced and explained the bill.

John Bond spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass HB 268 S 1 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to put HB 268 S 1 on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jenkins absent for the vote

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Minutes reported by Jolene Morgan, Secretary.

Sen. Peter Knudson, Committee Chair