

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 450 State Capitol**

January 31, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. R. Curt Webb, Chair
 Rep. Jeremy A. Peterson, Vice Chair
 Rep. Jerry B. Anderson
 Rep. Spencer J. Cox
 Rep. James A. Dunnigan
 Rep. Craig Hall
 Rep. Michael S. Kennedy
 Rep. Marie H. Poulson
 Rep. Marc K. Roberts
 Rep. John R. Westwood

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Rep. Jennifer M. Seelig

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Wade, Policy Analyst
 Ms. Karen Mitchell, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Peterson called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2013 meeting.
 The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Kennedy, and Rep.
 Seelig absent for the vote.

H.B. 40 Scheduling of Special Elections (Rep. K. Powell)

Rep. Powell introduced the bill to the committee.

Rep. Webb moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 1, Lines 21 through 22:

21 Other Special Clauses:

22 { ~~None~~ } **This bill takes effect on January 1, 2014.**

2. *Page 3, Line 69:*

69 (iv) other administrative and procedural matters connected with the election.

= Section 2. Effective date.

This bill takes effect on January 1, 2014.

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The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Kennedy, and Rep. Seelig absent for the vote.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns
Mr. Taylor Morgan, Lt. Governor's Office

Spoke against the bill: Mr. Ronald Mortensen, Citizens for Tax Fairness

MOTION: Rep. Cox moved to pass H.B. 40 out favorably as amended. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hall, Rep. Kennedy, and Rep. Seelig absent for the vote.

H.B. 66 Political Subdivision Amendments (Rep. R. C. Webb)

Rep. Webb introduced the bill to the committee and provided a handout.

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved to adopt 1st Substitute H.B. 66. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hall, Rep. Kennedy, and Rep. Seelig absent for the vote.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Brent Gardner, Utah Association of Counties
Mr. Gavin Anderson, Utah Association of Counties/ Salt Lake County
Mr. LeGrand Bitter, Utah Association of Special Service Districts
Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns
Mr. Mike Kohler, Wasatch County
Mr. Randy Larsen, Ballard Spahr

Spoke in opposition of the bill: Mr. Royce Van Tassell, Utah Taxpayers Association

Ms. Victoria Ashby, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, responded to questions.

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 66 out favorably. The motion

passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan and Rep. Seelig absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan and Rep. Seelig absent for the vote.

Vice Chair Peterson adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Rep. R. Curt Webb, Chair