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Madam Speaker:

The Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 160**, UTAH WILDERNESS ACT, by Representative S. Handy, with the following amendments:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 48 through 56:
 - 48 { (b) recognize and protect in perpetuity areas where the earth and its community of life
 - 49 <u>are untrammeled by humans and where humans are visitors that do not remain;</u>
 - 50 { (c) } _ provide a window into the natural world, into which our pioneer forebears ventured
 - and formed our collective story and character;
 - 52 { (d) } (c) recognize that the preservation of wilderness shall be part of a balanced pattern of
 - 53 <u>multiple land uses;</u>
 - 54 { (e) } (d) demonstrate the proper stewardship of certain primitive lands by providing the
 - 55 protection to allow natural forces to operate; and
 - 56 (e) create a Utah wilderness preservation system.







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2. *Page 3, Lines 81 through 89:*

- 81 {<u>(d) is an area where the earth and its community of life are untrammeled by humans</u>,
- 82 <u>where humans are visitors who do not remain, and where the imprint of human work</u>
 <u>is</u>
- 83 <u>substantially unnoticeable;</u>}
- 84 { (e) } (d) has at least 5,000 contiguous acres of land, or is of sufficient size as to make
- 85 practicable its preservation and use in an unimpaired condition;
- 86 { (f) (e) has outstanding opportunities for solitude, or a primitive and unconfined type of
- 87 <u>recreation; and</u>
- 88 { (g) may contain ecological, geological, or other features of scientific, educational,
- 89 <u>scenic, or historical value.</u>

3. Page 4, Lines 94 through 100:

- 94 (b) Before identifying a parcel of land as a conservation area, the director of PLPCO
- 95 shall:
- 96 (i) inform { the board of trustees of } the School and Institutional Trust Lands
- 97 Administration that a parcel is being considered for designation as a conservation area; and
- 98 (ii) provide { the board of trustees of } the School and Institutional Trust Lands
- 99 Administration with the opportunity to trade out land owned by the School and Institutional
- 100 <u>Trust Lands Administration for the parcel in question</u> , subject to reaching an exchange agreement with the agency that manages the parcel .







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- 4. Page 7, Lines 195 through 197:
 - 195 (b) measures may be taken, under the direction of the director of the Division of
 - 196 Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, as necessary to { suppress and manage fire, insects, habitat, and **maintain**}
 - 197 diseases.

Respectfully,

Michael E. Noel Committee Chair

Voting: 11-2-3
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