

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE  
Room 20, House Building  
March 4, 2014**

**Members Present:** Rep. Jack Draxler, Chair  
Rep. Ken Ivory, Vice Chair  
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck  
Rep. Janice Fisher  
Rep. Keith Grover  
Rep. John Mathis  
Rep. Mike Noel  
Rep. Lee Perry

**Members Absent:** Rep. Kraig Powell

**Staff Present:** Mr. Brian Bean, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Becky Paulson, Committee Secretary

**Note:** A list of visitors and handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Vice Chair Ivory called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Draxler moved to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Grover and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to approve the revised minutes of the February 18, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Grover and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

The handout, "The Best System for Political Participation" was distributed to the committee. The handout was in reference to 1st Substitute SB54 discussed in the House Government Operations Standing Committee meeting on March 3, 2014.

**H.B. 156 Election Day Voter Registration Pilot Project (*Rep. R. Chavez-Houck*)**

Rep. Chavez-Houck explained the bill. The handout, "HB156-Election Day Voter Registration Pilot Project", was distributed to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 23, Lines 681 through 689:

681 (3) A municipality may participate in the pilot project for a municipal election, if {  
682 ~~(a) a county clerk conducts the election under contract with the municipality;~~  
~~and~~

683 ~~—(b)—~~ the municipal clerk ~~{ and the county clerk described in Subsection (3)(a)~~  
~~submit }~~ submits to  
684 the lieutenant governor a written application to participate in the pilot project that  
contains:  
685 ~~{(i)}~~ (a) the name of the municipality;  
686 ~~{(ii)}~~ (b) a request that the municipality be permitted to participate in the  
pilot project;  
687 ~~{(iii)}~~ (c) an estimate of the extent to which election day voter registration  
may increase  
688 voter participation; and  
689 ~~{(iv)}~~ (d) any other reasons that the municipality desires to participate in  
the project.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

Spoke for the bill: Joshua Richardson, citizen  
Mark Thomas, Lieutenant Governor's Office  
Jennifer Morrell, Weber County Elections Director  
Brian McKenzie, Davis County Clerk Election Director

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

**H.B. 192 Initiative and Referendum Petition Amendments (Rep. J. Stanard)**

Rep. Standard explained the bill.

Spoke against the bill: Jenn Gonnelly, League of Women Voters

**MOTION:** Rep. Ivory moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Line 83:

83 "By signing this petition, you are stating that you have read {~~.~~} and  
understand {~~, and support~~} the

2. Page 8, Line 233:

233 "By signing this petition, you are stating that you have read {~~.~~} and  
understand {~~, and support~~} the

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Noel moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Chavez-Houck voting in opposition. Rep. Fisher and Rep. Mathis were absent for the vote.

**2nd Sub. S.B. 53 Amendments to Private Investigator Regulations (Sen. M. Dayton)  
(Rep. K. Grover)**

This bill was not considered.

**S.B. 86 Legislative per Diem Revision (Sen. L. Hillyard) (Rep. M. Brown)**

Sen. Hillyard explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

**S.J.R. 16 Joint Rules Resolution - Legislative Compensation and Expense Revisions  
(Sen. L. Hillyard) (Rep. M. Brown)**

Rep. Hillyard explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Grover moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Grover moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

**3rd Sub. S.B. 97 Lobbyist Disclosure and Regulation Act Amendments (Sen. T. Weiler)  
(Rep. V. L. Snow)**

Sen. Weiler explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Noel moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

**2nd Sub. S.B. 135 Voter Registration Amendments (Sen. S. Jenkins) (Rep. P. Ray)**

Sen. Jenkins explained the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Brian McKenzie, Davis County Election Director

**MOTION:** Rep. Noel moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Chavez-Houck, Rep. Fisher, and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

**1st Sub. S.J.R. 8      Joint Resolution on Term of Appointed Lieutenant Governor (*Sen. S. Urquhart*) (Rep. V. L. Snow)**

Sen. Urquhart explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Mathis moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Chavez-Houck, Rep. Fisher, and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Draxler moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Chavez-Houck, Rep. Fisher, and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Draxler moved to adjourn the meeting.

Vice Chair Ivory adjourned the meeting at 5:09 p.m.

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Rep. Jack Draxler, Chair