

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**
25 House Building, Utah State Capitol Complex
February 9, 2015

Members Present: Rep. Kay L. McIff, Chair
Rep. Robert M. Spendlove, Vice Chair
Rep. Stewart E. Barlow
Rep. Melvin R. Brown
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Rep. Craig Hall
Rep. Sandra Hollins
Rep. Michael S. Kennedy
Rep. Paul Ray
Rep. Edward H. Redd
Rep. Norman J. Thurston
Rep. Raymond P. Ward

Staff Present: Mr. Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst
Ms. Linda Black, House Secretary

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

Chair McIff called the meeting to order at 3:55 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Kennedy moved to approve the minutes of February 5, 2015. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Barlow, Rep. Ray, and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

H.B. 237 Vision Screening Amendments (*Rep. M. Brown*)

Rep. Brown explained H.B. 237 to the committee with the assistance of Bill Gibson, Director, Division of Services for the Blind, Utah State Office of Rehabilitation.

Spoke for the bill: Bonnie T. Johnson, Lions Club

MOTION: Rep. Hall moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 3, Lines 75 through 85:

- 75 (7) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (7)(b), a licensed health professional
76 providing vision care to private patients may not participate as a screener in a free vision
77 screening program provided by a school district.
78 (b) A school district or charter school may:

- 79 (i) allow a licensed health professional who provides vision care to private patients
to
80 participate as a screener in a free vision screening program for a child ~~{nine}~~ 3-
1/2 years ~~[of age]~~ old or
81 older;
82 (ii) establish guidelines to administer a free vision screening program described in
83 Subsection (7)(b)(i); and
84 (iii) establish penalties for a violation of the requirements of Subsection (7)(c).
85 (c) A licensed health professional or other person who participates as a screener in a

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to place H.B. 237 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

1st Sub. S.B. 61 Medicaid Audit Amendments (Sen. L. Hillyard)

Sen. Hillyard explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Michelle McOmber, CEO, Utah Medical Association

Spoke to the bill: Michael Hales, Deputy Director, Utah Department of Health
Jeremy Gorenstein, Health Management Systems

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Chavez-Houck voting in opposition. Rep. Ray was absent for the vote.

H.B. 199 Pilot Program for Assistance for Children with Disabilities and Complex Medical Conditions (Rep. E. Redd)

Rep. Redd explained the bill to the committee and provided a handout, "Talking Points - H. B. 199."

Spoke to the bill: Michael Hales, Deputy Director, Department of Health

Spoke for the bill: Emilee Wagner, parent (handout)
Tristin West, parent (handout)
Jennifer Adams (handout)

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to replace H.B. 199 with 1st Substitute H. B. 199, "Pilot Program for Assistance for Children with Disabilities and Complex Medical Conditions." The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Spendlove moved to pass the bill out favorably as substituted. The motion passed unanimously.

**1st Sub. H.B. 94 Investigational Drug and Device Access for Terminally Ill Patients
(Rep. G. Froerer)**

Rep. Froerer explained 2nd Substitute H.B. 94 to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Jonathan Johnson, Promote Liberty
Representative Eric Hutchings, District 38
Commissioner Stan Summers, Box Elder County (handout)
Christina Casanova, parent (handout)
Kathleen Kaufmann, Utah Nurses Association
Chris Sloan

MOTION: Rep. Hall moved to replace 1st Substitute H.B. 94 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 94, "Investigational Drug and Device Access for Terminally Ill Patients". The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Redd moved to amend the bill.

1. Page 9, Lines 257 through 263:

257 (2) A physician, ~~{medical practitioner assisting the physician}~~ other
licensed health care providers, or hospital that treats an
258 eligible patient with an investigational drug or investigational device under this chapter
may
259 not, for any harm done to the eligible patient by the investigational drug or device, be
subject
260 to:
261 (a) civil liability;
262 (b) criminal liability;

263 (c) licensure sanctions under:

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Rep Ray moved to pass the bill out favorably as substituted. The motion passed unanimously.

1st Sub. S.B. 76 Rural Physician Loan Repayment Program (Sen. D. Hinkins)

Sen. Hinkins explained 1st Substitute S.B. 76 to the committee with the assistance of Dave Gessell, representing Utah Hospital Association.

MOTION: Rep. Barlow moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 4, Lines 103 through 107:

- 103 (1) There is created the Rural Physician Loan Repayment Program Advisory
104 Committee consisting of the following {~~seven~~} ~~eight~~ members appointed by the
executive director:
105 (a) two legislators whose districts include rural counties; and
106 (b) five administrators of rural hospitals nominated by an association representing
Utah
107 hospitals, no more than two of whom are employed by hospitals affiliated by
ownership ; and
(c) a physician currently practicing in a rural county .

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 19 Digital Health Services Commission (Sen. B. Shiozawa)

Sen. Shiozawa explained S.B. 19 to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Barlow moved to pass S.B. 19 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Barlow moved to place S.B. 19 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

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MOTION: Rep. Barlow moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair McIff adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Kay McIff, Chair