

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, & ENVIRONMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 445, State Capitol
January 29, 2015

Members Present: Rep. Lee B. Perry, Chair
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers, Vice Chair
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Melvin R. Brown
Rep. Scott H. Chew
Rep. Jack R. Draxler
Rep. Susan Duckworth
Rep. Stephen G. Handy
Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes
Rep. Mike K. McKell
Rep. Michael E. Noel
Rep. Kraig Powell
Rep. Scott D. Sandall
Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present: Mr. J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
Ms. An Bradshaw, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and handouts are filed with committee minutes

Chair Perry called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

H.B. 59 Agriculture Modifications (Rep. M. McKell)

Rep. McKell explained the bill to the committee. Sterling Brown, Utah Farm Bureau, and Robin Cahoon, Marketing Coordinator, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, answered questions from the committee.

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

1. Page 2, Lines 38 through 43:

- 38 For the purpose of this chapter:
- 39 [~~"estrays"~~] (1) (a) "Estray" means ~~[any]~~:
- 40 (i) ~~an~~ unbranded sheep, [~~cattle, horses, mules, or asses~~] cow, horse, mule, ~~{or}~~
ass, or domestic mink found
- 41 running at large~~[, or any]~~;
- 42 (ii) ~~a~~ branded sheep, [~~cattle, horses, mules, or asses~~] cow, horse, mule, ~~{or}~~
ass, or domestic mink found
- 43 running at large whose owner cannot be found after reasonable search~~[, or any]~~; or

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

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

1. *Page 2, Lines 48 through 52:*

48 (2) "Feral swine" means any species, or hybrid species:

49 (a) of the family {~~:-~~

50 ~~(i)}~~ Suidae, including the European boar, the Eurasian boar, the Russian boar, a
feral

51 hog, or a domestic pig; ~~{or~~

52 ~~(ii) Tayassuidae, including the Javelina and peccary; }~~

2. *Page 3, Lines 81 through 85:*

81 (4) Feral swine may not be hunted or killed under Subsection (3)(c) :

82 (a) with the use of artificial light or night vision equipment , except as authorized
by county ordinance ; or

83 (b) from or with any airborne vehicle or device , except as provided in Section
4-23-6. ; {~~-~~

84 ~~(c) with explosives; or~~

85 ~~(d) with poison. }~~

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

MOTION: Rep. McKell moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Chew absent for the vote.

H.B. 78 Generator Site Access Permits Amendments (Rep. B. Dee)

Rep. Dee explained the bill to the committee. Dan Shrum, Energy Solutions, answered questions from the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Duckworth moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Chew and Rep. McKell absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Hawkes moved to place H.B. 78 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Chew and Rep. McKell absent for the vote.

H.B. 125 Fishing License Amendments (Rep. B. R. Cutler)

Rep. Cutler explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of Robin Calhoon, Marketing Coordinator, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, and David Willis, citizen.

Spoke for the bill: Sterling Brown, Utah Farm Bureau

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

1. Page 2, Lines 54 through 55:

- 54 (3) (a) The adult leader shall :
(i) possess a valid Utah fishing or combination license; and
(ii) instruct the activity participants on fishing statutes and
55 rules.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Chew, Rep. Handy, and Rep. McKell absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Draxler moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Chew, Rep. Handy, and Rep. McKell absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Sandall moved to place H.B. 125 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Chew, Rep. Handy, and Rep. McKell absent for the vote.

Vice Chair Sagers assumed the chair.

H.B. 88 Veterinary Practice Act Amendments (Rep. J. Peterson)

Rep. Peterson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Matthew Klar, veterinarian

MOTION: Rep. Sandall moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Handy, Rep. McKell, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Perry absent for the vote.

H.B. 106 Wildlife Amendments (Rep. M. Schultz)

Rep. Schultz explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of Robin Cahoon, Marketing Coordinator, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources.

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

1. Page 2, Lines 39 through 45:

39 (3) (a) [~~Any~~] A person hunting within the state on [~~any~~] a commercial hunting area
40 shall:

41 [~~(i) be at least 12 years old;~~]

42 [~~(ii)~~] (i) (A) possess proof of passing a division-approved hunter education course, if
43 the person was born after December 31, 1965; [~~and~~] or

44 (B) possess a trial hunting authorization issued under Section 23-19-14.6;

~~{and}~~ =

(ii) comply with the accompaniment requirements of Sections 23-19-14.6 and 23-20-20, if applicable; and

45 ~~{+}~~ (iii) ~~{+(ii)}~~ have the permission of the owner or operator of the commercial hunting area.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Handy, Rep. McKell, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Perry absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to pass the bill out favorable as amended. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Handy, Rep. McKell, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Perry absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Schultz moved to place H.B. 106 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Handy, Rep. McKell, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Perry absent for the vote.

Chair Perry resumed the chair.

H.B. 132 Interstate Compact on Transfer of Public Lands Amendments (Rep. K. Stratton)

This bill was not heard.

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MOTION: Rep. Briscoe moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Handy, Rep. McKell, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

Chair Perry adjourned the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

Lee B. Perry, Chair