

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE

Room 445, State Capitol

March 6, 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. Steve 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: J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
An Bradshaw, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Perry called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

H.B. 430 Fairpark Leasing Authorization Revisions (Rep. G. Froerer)

Rep. Froerer explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Lynn Pace, Salt Lake City

Spoke to the bill: Randy Parker, Utah State Fair Board

MOTION: Rep. Schultz moved to adopt 1st Sub. H.B. 430. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Sandall absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Schultz moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Sandall absent for the vote.

H.B. 408 Catastrophic Wildfire and Public Nuisance Amendments (Rep. K. Christofferson)

Rep. Christofferson explained the bill to the committee. "Huntington Canyon: Catastrophic Public Nuisances" was distributed to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Dave Miller, Iron County Commission and Utah Association of Counties
Mark Whitney, Beaver County Commission and Utah Association of Counties
Brian Cottam, State Forester and Director, Forestry, Fire and State Lands

MOTION: Rep. Sandall moved to adopt 1st Sub. H.B. 408. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Sandall moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe absent for the vote.

H.B. 438 Amendments to the Nominating Committee for the School and Institutional Trust Lands Board of Trustees (Rep. M. Brown)

Rep. Brown explained the bill to the committee.

Vice Chair Sagers assumed the chair.

Spoke for the bill: Margaret Bird, citizen

Spoke against the bill: Brent Barlow, citizen
Tim Donaldson, State Office of Education

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

1. *Page 2, Lines 33 through 34:*

- 33 (2) (a) The State Board of Education shall appoint five members who possess
outstanding professional qualifications pertinent to the purpose and activities of the
trust to the nominating
34 committee from different geographical areas of the state.

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

MOTION: Rep. Duckworth moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed with Rep. Chew voting in opposition and Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Handy, Rep. McKell, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

Chair Perry resumed the chair.

S.B. 202 Conservation Commission Employees (Sen. R. Okerlund)

Sen. Okerlund explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of LuAnn Adams, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture and Food.

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

1. *Page 4, Line 100:*

100 employee under a different schedule recognized under Section 67-19-15.

(5)(a) For purposes of the report required by Subsection (5)(b), the commissioner shall study the organizational structure of the employees described in Subsection (3).

(b) The commissioner shall report to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee by no later than that subcommittee's November 2015 interim meeting regarding the study required by Subsection (5)(a).

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

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

S.C.R. 7 Concurrent Resolution Regarding a Military Test Site in Western Utah (Sen. C. Bramble)

Sen. Bramble explained the resolution to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Randy Parker, Utah Farm Bureau
Kevin Carter, Director, School and Institutional Trust Lands
Administration

MOTION: Rep. Sagers moved to pass the resolution out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Handy, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Sagers moved to place S.C.R. 7 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Handy, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

S.B. 189 Oil and Gas Conservation Account Amendments (Sen. K. Van Tassell)

Sen. Van Tassell explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of John Rogers, Associate Director, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, who spoke in support of the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Lee Peacock, Utah Petroleum Association

MOTION: Rep. Sandall moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Draxler, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

S.B. 187 Development of Lands Around Bear Lake (Sen. S. Jenkins)

Sen. Jenkins explained the bill and provided a map of the southwest shoreline of Bear Lake to the committee. Brian Cottam, State Forester and Director, State Forestry, Fire and State Lands, answered questions from the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Bill Cox, Rich County Commission

MOTION: Rep. Sagers moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Draxler, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

S.B. 171 Metal Recycling Amendments (Sen. S. Jenkins)

Sen. Jenkins explained the bill to the committee and passed around photos of car recycling.

Spoke for the bill: Candace Daly, Institute of Scrap Recycling

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

1. *Page 1, Lines 12 through 16*
Senate Committee Amendments
3-2-2015:

12 ▶ states that a person who recycles an engine block is not required to remove the
 used
13 oil filter on that engine block; **and**
14 ~~§→ [→→ states that a local board of health may not regulate a crusher, dismantler, or~~

