

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 450 State Capitol
March 6, 2015**

Members Present: Rep. R. Curt Webb, Chair
Rep. Kraig Powell, Vice Chair
Rep. Johnny Anderson
Rep. Kim Coleman
Rep. Michael S. Kennedy
Rep. Justin J. Miller
Rep. Marie H. Poulson
Rep. Norman K. Thurston
Rep. Raymond P. Ward

Members Absent: Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. Don L. Ipson
Rep. Dixon M. Pitcher

Staff Present: Mr. Joseph T. Wade, Policy Analyst
Ms. Karen Mitchell, Committee Secretary

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

Vice Chair Powell called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2015, meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, Rep. Kennedy, Rep. Pitcher, and Rep. Poulson absent for the vote.

H.B. 397 Local School Funding Options (Rep. N. Thurston)

Rep. Thurston explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Jay Blain, Utah Education Association

MOTION: Rep. Webb moved to hold H.B. 397 and return to the Rules Committee for interim study. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

H.B. 418 Special Service and Local District Amendments (Rep. S. Handy)

Rep. Handy explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of LeGrand Bitter, Utah Association of Special Districts.

MOTION: Rep. Anderson moved to pass H.B. 418 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Miller moved to place H.B. 418 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

1st Sub. S.B. 122 State Surplus Property Amendments (Sen. T. Weiler)

Sen. Weiler explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of Rich Amon, Department of Administrative Services.

MOTION: Rep. Miller moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 122 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Webb moved to place 1st Substitute S.B. 122 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

1st Sub. S.B. 138 Service District Modifications (Sen. J. Stevenson)

Rep. Handy explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of LeGrand Bitter, Utah Association of Special Districts.

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 138 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to place 1st Substitute S.B. 138 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

1st Sub. S.B. 139 Service District Amendments (Sen. J. Stevenson)

Rep. Handy explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of LeGrand Bitter, Utah Association of Special Districts.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 139 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to place 1st Substitute S.B. 139 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

1st Sub. S.B. 193 Local Government Amendments (Sen. D. Henderson)

Rep. Kennedy explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of LeGrand Bitter, Utah Association of Special Districts.

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

1. *Page 6, Lines 156 through 158:*

156 due for property taxes and assessments and other permitted charges described in this section

157 unless otherwise specified by the taxpayer **and the taxpayer demonstrates that the unpaid fees are being challenged by the taxpayer** .

158 (2) Before a governing body may adopt a resolution or ordinance levying an

2. *Page 12, Lines 338 through 340:*

338 balances due for property taxes and local district fees, which shall include all fees and other

339 permitted charges described in this section unless otherwise specified by the taxpayer **and the taxpayer demonstrates that the unpaid fees are being challenged by the taxpayer** .

340 [~~2~~] (3) A lien under Subsection (1) is not valid if certification under Subsection (1) is

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 193 out favorably as amended.
The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

2nd Sub. S.B. 157 Government Records Amendments (Sen. C. Bramble)

Sen. Bramble explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Brandon Smith, Utah League of Cities and Towns

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to replace 2nd Substitute S.B. 157 with 3rd Substitute S.B. 157. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to pass 3rd Substitute S.B. 157 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Webb moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Pitcher absent for the vote.

Vice Chair Powell adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Rep. R. Curt Webb, Chair