

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING**  
20 House Building, Utah State Capitol Complex  
March 4, 2016

**Members Present:** Rep. LaVar Christensen, Chair  
Rep. Merrill Nelson, Vice Chair  
Rep. Fred C. Cox  
Rep. Bruce Cutler  
Rep. Brian M. Greene  
Rep. Craig Hall  
Rep. Brian S. King  
Rep. Curtis Oda  
Rep. V. Lowry Snow  
Rep. Kevin J. Stratton  
Rep. Mark A. Wheatley

**Staff Present:** Mr. Gregg Girvan, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Glenda VanWagenen, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Christensen called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

**S.B. 96          Uniform Deployed Parents Custody and Parent-time Act (L. Hillyard)**

Senator Hillyard explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke to the bill:      Dani Hartvigsen, Eagle Forum

Spoke against the bill: Dan Deuel, National Parents Organization of Utah

**MOTION:**      Rep. Snow moved to hold the bill. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Cutler absent for the vote.

**S.B. 187S01      Reclassification of Misdemeanors (D. Thatcher)**

Rep. King, House sponsor for the bill, explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill:      Ron Gordon, Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice  
Paul Boyden, Utah Association of Prosecutors  
Rick Schwermer, Administrative Office of the Courts  
Marina Lowe, American Civil Liberties Union of Utah

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**MOTION:** Rep. Snow moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Cutler, Rep. Stratton, and Rep. Nelson absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Oda moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Cutler, Rep. Stratton, and Rep. Nelson absent for the vote.

Chair Christensen adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

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LaVar Christensen, Chair