

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, February 1, 2017 • 4:00 pm • 415 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Don L. Ipson, Chair
Sen. Margaret Dayton
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

Members Absent:

Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Peter C. Knudson

Staff Present:

Ms. Megan L. Bolin, Policy Analyst
Ms. Karen Allred, Legislative Session
Worker

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at le.utah.gov.

Chair Ipson called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

1. S.B. 128 Election Day Notification Amendments (*Iwamoto, J.*)

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to replace S.B. 128 with 1st Substitute S.B. 128. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-5.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

Sen. Iwamoto explained the bill.

Ricky Hatch, Weber County Clerk, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rozan Mitchell, Salt Lake County Elections, spoke in favor of the bill.

Heather Anderson, Lobbyist, Utah Associations of Special Districts, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 128 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

2. S.B. 116 Polling Location Amendments (*Thatcher, D.*)

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to replace S.B. 116 with 1st Substitute S.B. 116. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

Sen. Thatcher explained the bill.

Ricky Hatch, Weber County Clerk, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mark Thomas, Director of Elections, Lt. Governor's Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 116 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

Chair Ipson announced that S.B.133 would not be heard today.

3. H.B. 32 Assessment Area Act Amendments (*Webb, R. C.*)

Rep. Webb explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to amend H.B. 32 with Amendment #2 as follows:

1. *Page 7, Lines 186 through 190:*

186 (2) [The] Subject to Subsection (4) { ~~—(4)—~~ , the assessment method a governing
body uses
187 to calculate an assessment may be according to frontage, area, taxable value, fair market
value,
188 lot, parcel, number of connections, equivalent residential unit, or any combination of
these
189 methods, or any other method as the governing body considers appropriate to comply
with
190 Subsections (1)(a) and (b).

2. *Page 8, Lines 218 through 221:*

218 (4) A local entity that levies an assessment under this chapter for economic
promotion
219 activities:

220 (a) shall:
221 (i) subject to Section 11-42-408, levy the assessment on each benefitted
property; and

The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

Cameron Deal, Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass H.B. 32 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

4. H.B. 39 Local Officer Amendments (Webb, R. C.)

Rep. Webb explained the bill.

Cameron Diehl, Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke in favor of the bill.

Fionnuala Kofoed, City Recorder for Eagle Mountain, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass H.B. 39 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. P. Knudson

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to place H.B. 39 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

5. H.B. 16 Voting Revisions (*Daw, B.*)

Rep. Daw explained the bill.

Ricky Hatch, Weber County Clerk, spoke to the bill.

Justin Lee, Deputy Director of Elections, Lt. Governor's Office, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 16 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. P. Knudson

Chair Ipson adjourned the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

Sen. Don L. Ipson, Chair