

**MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE JUDICIARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Monday, February 6, 2017 • 3:00 p.m. • 250 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Sen. Todd Weiler, Chair  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard  
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

**Members Absent:**

President Wayne L. Niederhauser  
Sen. Ralph Okerlund

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Gregg A. Girvan, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

**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](http://le.utah.gov).

Chair Weiler called the meeting to order 3:19 p.m.

**MOTION:** Sen. Escamilla moved to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2017, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. Escamilla  
Sen. Hillyard  
Sen. Thatcher  
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. Davis  
Pres. Niederhauser  
Sen. Okerlund

**1. S.B. 147 Uniform Parentage Act Amendments (*Hillyard, L.*)**

Sen. Hillyard presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Lisa Stockdale, Director, Office of Recovery Services.

Mr. Bill Duncan, Director, Sutherland Institute, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hillyard moved to pass S.B. 147 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. Escamilla  
Sen. Hillyard  
Sen. Thatcher  
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. Davis  
Pres. Niederhauser  
Sen. Okerlund

**2. S.B. 153 Child Support Income Calculation Amendments (*Hillyard, L.*)**

Sen Hillyard presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Lisa Stockdale, Director, Office of Recovery Services.

Mr. Stewart Ralphs, Legal Aid Society of Utah, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Dan Duhl, Chairman of Legislative Affairs, National Parents Organization, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hillyard moved to pass S.B. 153 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. Escamilla  
Sen. Hillyard  
Sen. Thatcher  
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. Davis  
Pres. Niederhauser  
Sen. Okerlund

Sen. Thatcher assumed the chair.

**3. S.B. 156 Local Public Safety and Firefighter Surviving Spouse Trust Fund Amendments (*Weiler, T.*)**

Sen. Weiler explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Weiler moved to replace S.B. 156 with 1st Substitute S.B. 156. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. Escamilla  
Sen. Hillyard  
Sen. Thatcher  
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. Davis  
Pres. Niederhauser  
Sen. Okerlund

Mr. Kenneth Leetham, City Manager, North Salt Lake, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Shante Johnson, widow of fallen officer Derek Johnson, spoke to the bill.

Mr. David Copeland, representative of fallen officer Charles Skinner, spoke against the bill.

Ms. Brandy Grace, Programs Development Director, Utah Association of Counties, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Weiler moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 156 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. Davis  
Sen. Escamilla  
Sen. Hillyard  
Sen. Thatcher  
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Abs:

Pres. Niederhauser  
Sen. Okerlund

Sen. Weiler resumed the chair.

**MOTION:** Sen. Davis moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.  
Voting in the affirmative were:

Yeas:

Sen. Davis  
Sen. Escamilla  
Sen. Hillyard  
Sen. Thatcher  
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Abs:

Pres. Niederhauser  
Sen. Okerlund

Chair Weiler adjourned the meeting at 4:17 p.m.

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Sen. Todd Weiler, Chair