

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE REVENUE AND TAXATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 • 3:00 pm • 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Eliason, Chair
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers, Vice Chair
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Gage Froerer
Rep. Brian M. Greene
Rep. Ken Ivory
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee
Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Tim Quinn

Rep. Jon E. Stanard
Rep. Brad R. Wilson

Members Absent:

Rep. Brian S. King

Staff Present:

Mr. Leif G. Elder, Policy Analyst
Ms. Linda Service, 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.

Chair Sagers called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Quinn moved to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2017 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-5.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

1. H.J.R. 7 Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution – Active Military Property Tax Exemption (*Peterson, V.*)

Rep. V. Peterson explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass H.J.R. 7 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-5.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to place H.J.R. 7 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-5.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

2. H.B. 258 Veterans Tax Amendments (*Peterson, V.*)

Rep. V. Peterson explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Froerer moved to pass H.B. 258 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-5.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Rep. Froerer moved to place H.B. 258 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 7-0-5.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

3. 3rd Sub. H.B. 29 Energy Efficient Vehicle Tax Credit Amendments (*Handy, S.*)

Rep. Handy explained the bill.

Mr. Kevin Emerson, Utah Clean Energy, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rep. Eliason assumed the chair.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Quinn moved to replace 3rd Substitute H.B. 29 with 4th Substitute H.B. 29. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-3.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. J. Stanard

Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. King
Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Rep. Lisonbee moved to pass 4th Substitute H.B. 29 out favorably.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. B. King
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Briscoe moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-3.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
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Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. King
Rep. B. Wilson

4. H.B. 244 General Fund Budget Reserve Account Amendments (*Ivory, K.*)

Rep. Ivory explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass H.B. 244 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. King

5. H.B. 224 Specie Legal Tender Amendments (*Ivory, K.*)

Rep. Ivory explained the bill.

Mr Jonathon Johnson, Overstock.com, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Lawrence Hilton, General Counsel, United Precious Metals Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Abraham Dey, United Precious Metals Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Robin Devey, United Precious Metals Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Kent Jefferson spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Merlin Weeks, United Precious Metals Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Ron Hilton, United Precious Metals Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Jeremy Cordon, United Precious Metals Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Sagers moved to hold H.B. 224. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. J. Stanard

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. B. King
Rep. B. Wilson

6. H.B. 71 Hygiene Tax Act (*Duckworth, S.*)

Rep. Duckworth explained the bill.

Ms. Kathleen Miller, Utah Women Unite, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Leslie Durham, Utah Women Unite, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Heather Williamson, Americans for Prosperity Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Dr. Cheryl Johnson, Utah Women Unite, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Erika Larsen spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Stephanie Pitcher spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Lisonbee moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9-2-1.

Yeas:

Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. J. Stanard
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays:

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason

Abs:

Rep. B. King

Chair Eliason adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Rep. Steve Eliason, Chair