

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

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 • 8:00 a.m. • 250 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Todd Weiler, Chair
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

Members Absent:

Sen. Gene Davis
President Wayne L. Niederhauser

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.

Chair Weiler called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2017. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. Hillyard
Sen. Okerlund
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Absent:

Sen. Davis
Sen. Escamilla
Pres. Niederhauser
Sen. Thatcher

1. S.B. 202 Parent-Time Amendments (*Adams, J. S.*)

Sen Hillyard explained the bill.

Ms. Terri Housekeeper, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to pass S.B. 202 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. Hillyard
Sen. Okerlund
Sen. Thatcher
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Absent:

Sen. Davis
Sen. Escamilla
Pres. Niederhauser

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to place S.B. 202 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. Hillyard
Sen. Okerlund
Sen. Thatcher
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Absent:

Sen. Davis
Sen. Escamilla
Pres. Niederhauser

2. S.B. 200 Law Enforcement Peer Counseling Amendments (*Thatcher, D.*)

Sen. Thatcher explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to amend S.B. 200 with Amendment #1 as follows:

1. Page 2, Lines 45 through 52:

- 45 (c) "Law enforcement or firefighter peer support team member" means a person who
46 is:
47 (i) a peace officer, civilian employee, or volunteer member of a law enforcement
48 agency, a regular or volunteer member of a fire department, or another person who has
49 been
49 trained in peer support skills; and
50 (ii) designated by the superintendent of the Utah Highway Patrol, **the executive**
50 **director of the Department of Corrections,** a sheriff, a police
51 chief, or a fire chief as a member of a law enforcement agency's peer support team or a
51 fire
52 department's peer support team.

The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. Hillyard
Sen. Okerlund
Sen. Thatcher
Sen. Weiler

Nays:

Absent:

Sen. Davis
Sen. Escamilla
Pres. Niederhauser

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to amend S.B. 200 with Amendment #2 as follows:

1. *Page 2, Lines 45 through 52:*

- 45 (c) "Law enforcement or firefighter peer support team member" means a person who
46 is:
47 (i) a peace officer, civilian employee, or volunteer member of a law enforcement
48 agency, a regular or volunteer member of a fire department, or another person who has
49 been
49 trained in peer support skills; and
50 (ii) designated by the { ~~superintendent~~ commissioner {of the ~~Utah~~
51 Highway Patrol} Department of Public Safety , a sheriff, a police
51 chief, or a fire chief as a member of a law enforcement agency's peer support team or a
52 fire
52 department's peer support team.

The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

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

Nays:

Absent:

Sen. Davis
Pres. Niederhauser

Mr. Jordan Call, Intern, Utah Chiefs of Police Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Rick Schwermer, Assistant Administrator, Utah State Office of the Courts, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass S.B. 200 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

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

Nays:

Absent:

Sen. Davis
Pres. Niederhauser

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

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

Nays:

Absent:

Sen. Davis
Pres. Niederhauser

Chair Weiler adjourned the meeting at 8:39 a.m.

Sen. Todd Weiler, Chair