

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 • 8:00 am • 450 State Capitol

Members Present:

Rep. Dixon M. Pitcher, Chair
Rep. Craig Hall, Vice Chair
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. Karen Kwan
Rep. Val K. Potter
Rep. Marie H. Poulson
Rep. Susan Pulsipher
Rep. Marc K. Roberts
Rep. Raymond P. Ward
Rep. R. Curt Webb

Rep. Elizabeth Weight
Rep. Logan Wilde

Members Absent:

Rep. Keith Grover

Staff Present:

Ms. Megan L. Bolin, Policy Analyst
Ms. Tonya Hadley, Committee Secretary
Ms. Wendy Hill, 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.

Rep. Webb assumed the chair and called the meeting to order at 8:17 a.m.

1. H.C.R. 21 Concurrent Resolution Encouraging NASA to Consider Tooele County for a Test Facility (*Sagers, D.*)

Rep. Douglas V. Sagers presented the bill.

Vice Chair Hall assumed the chair.

MOTION: Rep. Webb moved to pass H.C.R. 21 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to place H.C.R. 21 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher

2. H.B. 355 Unified Commercial Development Amendments (*Gibson, F.*)

Rep. Gibson presented the bill.

Mr. Nate Sechrezi, Utah Reagan Outdoor Advertising, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Wilde moved to pass H.B. 355 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher

MOTION: Vice Chair Hall moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2017, meeting.
The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher

3. H.B. 324 Local Budget Hearing Notice Amendments (*Cutler, B. R.*)

Rep. Cutler presented the bill.

Mr. Michael Curtis, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, responded to questions.

Mr. Cameron Diehl, Director of Government Relations, Utah League of City and Towns, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Billy Hesterman, Utah Taxpayers Association, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to replace H.B. 324 with 1st Substitute H.B. 324. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 324 with a verbal amendment. Rep. Dunnigan withdrew his motion.

4. H.C.R. 20 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing Those Who Served and Sacrificed During the Cold War (*Greene, B.*)

Rep. Greene presented the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to amend H.C.R. 20 with Amendment #1 as follows:

1. *Page 2, Lines 55 through 57:*

55 WHEREAS, a medal, commissioned by **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4918**
 and endorsed by the Utah Veterans of Foreign Wars,
56 commemorates those men and women from Utah whose service and sacrifice assisted in
57 achieving the Cold War victory; and

The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to pass H.C.R. 20, as amended, out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Roberts

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to place H.C.R. 20, as amended, on the Consent Calendar.
The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Roberts

5. H.B. 324 Local Budget Hearing Notice Amendments (Cutler, B. R.)

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 324 with Amendment #1 as follows:

1. *Page 3, Line 72:*

72 (iv) publish the notice or a link to the notice on the ~~homepage~~ home page of the website of the town or metro township.

2. *Page 4, Line 98:*

98 (c) on the { ~~homepage~~ home page of the website , either in full or as a link, of the town or metro township, if the town or metro

3. *Page 4, Line 112:*

112 (3) on the { ~~homepage~~ home page of the website , either in full or as a link, of the city or metro township, if the city or metro

4. *Page 5, Line 125:*

125 (c) on the home page of the county's website, either in full or as a link, if the county has a publicly viewable

5. *Page 5, Lines 139 through 140:*

139 (c) on the home page of the county's website, either in full or as a link, if the
county has a publicly viewable
140 website, until the hearing takes place.

The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. M. Roberts

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 324, as amended, out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. M. Roberts

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved to place 1st Substitute H.B. 324, as amended, on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 12-0-1.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover

Chair Pitcher assumed the chair.

6. H.B. 364 Removal of Local Elected Officials (*Chavez-Houck, R.*)

Rep. Chavez-Houck presented the bill.

Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, Governmental Affairs Director, Utah Association of Counties, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Andrew Riggle, Public Policy Analyst, Disability Law Center, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Cameron Diehl, Director of Government Relations, Utah League of City and Towns, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Scott Howell, former Utah State Senator, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Kwan moved to hold H.B. 364. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. R. Ward

MOTION: Rep. Wilde moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 11-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. C. Hall
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. V. Potter
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. R. Webb
Rep. E. Weight
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. K. Grover
Rep. R. Ward

Chair Pitcher adjourned the meeting at 9:57 a.m.