

CORRECTED MINUTES
SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 • 4:06 pm • 415 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Members Absent:

Sen. Brian E. Shiozawa

Staff Present:

Mr. J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
Ms. Paula Morgan, 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 Dayton called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

1. H.B. 181 State Engineer Fee Application Amendments (*Wilde, L.*)

Rep. Wilde explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 181 out favorably.
The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. B. Shiozawa

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to approve the minutes for February 17, 2017
The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. B. Shiozawa

2. S.B. 217 Environmental Impact Mitigation Regarding New Prison Project (*Escamilla*)

(Robles), L.)

Sen. Escamilla explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to move to next agenda item.
The motion passed with a vote of 4-1-2.

Yeas:

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays:

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Abs:

Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. B. Shiozawa

3. H.B. 95 Little Sahara State Park Designation (Eliason, S.)

Sen. Eliason explained the bill.

Jeff Rasmussen, Deputy Director, Utah State Parks, spoke to the bill.

Sen. lines 59 to 63 Christensen moved to delete lines 59 to 63.

Sen. Christensen withdrew his motion.

Sterling Brown, Vice President, Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 95 out favorably.
The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. B. Shiozawa

4. H.B. 84 Water Law - Nonuse Applications (Hawkes, T.)

Rep. Hawkes explained the bill.

Kent Jones, State Engineer, Utah Division of Water Rights, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 84 out favorably.
The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. B. Shiozawa

5. H.B. 118 Authority of State Engineer (*Hawkes, T.*)

Rep. Hawkes explained the bill.

Kent Jones, State Engineer, Utah Division of Water Rights, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 118 out favorably.
The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. B. Shiozawa

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to place H.B. 118 on the Consent Calendar.
The motion failed with a vote of 4-1-2.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson

Nays:

Sen. E. Vickers

Abs:

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. B. Shiozawa

6. 1st Sub. H.C.R. 7 Concurrent Resolution Supporting Ranchers Grazing Livestock on Public Lands (*Westwood, J.*)

Rep. Westwood explained the bill.

Sterling Brown, Vice President, Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke in favor of the bill.

Steve Erickson, Great Basin Water Network, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.C.R. 7 out favorably.
The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. B. Shiozawa

7. H.C.R. 18 Concurrent Resolution Encouraging Utahns to Consider the Smog Rating When Purchasing a Vehicle (*Arent, P.*)

Rep. Arent explained the bill.

Bryce Bird, Director, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Air Quality, spoke in favor of the bill.

Craig Bickmore, Director, New Car Dealers of Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ashley Miller, Program and Policy Director, Breathe Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass H.C.R. 18 out favorably.
The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. B. Shiozawa

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

Yeas:

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. A. Christensen
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Chair Dayton adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair