

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, February 28, 2017 • 8:00 am • 415 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Don L. Ipson, Chair
Sen. Margaret Dayton
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

Members Absent:

Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Peter C. Knudson

Staff Present:

Ms. Megan L. Bolin, 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 Ipson called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

1. H.B. 229 Amendments Relating to Local Districts (*McCay, D.*)

Rep. McCay explained the bill.

LeGrand Bitter, Utah Association of Special Districts, spoke in favor of the bill.

Trent Staggs, Riverton City Council, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass H.B. 229 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson

2. 1st Sub. H.B. 204 Presidential Primary Amendments (*Arent, P.*)

Rep. Arent explained the bill.

James Evans, Chair, Utah Republican Party, spoke in favor of the bill.

Lauren Littlefield, Executive Director, Utah Democratic Party, spoke in favor of the bill.

Bryce Panzer, Citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Lisa Bagley, Citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ellie Brownstein, Citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Sheri Bernard, Citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Lola Britton, President, League of Women Voters, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kelly Henderson, Citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 204 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson

3. H.B. 230 Elections Revisions (*Daw, B.*)

Rep. Daw explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to replace H.B. 230 with 1st Substitute H.B. 230. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

Arie Van De Graaff, Utah Association of Counties, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 230 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

4. H.B. 328 Service Area Board of Trustees Modifications (*Spendlove, R.*)

Rep. Spendlove explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 328 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

5. 2nd Sub. H.B. 243 Common Area Land Use Amendments (*Webb, R. C.*)

Rep. Webb explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 243 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

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

Rep. Ivory explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass H.B. 244 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

7. 1st Sub. H.B. 324 Local Budget Hearing Notice Amendments (*Cutler, B. R.*)

Rep. Cutler explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 324 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-5.

Yeas:

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-5.

Yeas:

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. D. Thatcher

Chair Ipson adjourned the meeting at 8:52 a.m.