

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

Friday, March 3, 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. Jani Iwamoto  
Sen. Peter C. Knudson

**Members Absent:**

Sen. J. Stuart Adams  
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Megan L. Bolin, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Paula Morgan, Standing 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](http://le.utah.gov).

Chair Ipson called the meeting to order at 8:55 a.m.

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

Rep. Gibson explained the bill.

Nate Sechrest, General Counsel, Reagan Outdoor Advertising, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to pass H.B. 355 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. P. Knudson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Sen. D. Thatcher

**2. H.B. 432 Local District Board Appointment Amendments (*Webb, R. C.*)**

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to amend H.B. 432 with Amendment #1 as follows:

1. *Page 1, Lines 16 through 17:*

16 Other Special Clauses:

17 { ~~Note~~ **This bill provides a special effective date.**

2. *Page 3, Line 89:*

89 (ii) serve to shorten the term of any member of the board.

**Section 2. Effective date.**

**If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.**

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

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. P. Knudson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Sen. D. Thatcher

Rep. Webb explained the bill.

Heather Anderson, Utah Association of Special Districts, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to pass H.B. 432, as amended, out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. P. Knudson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Sen. D. Thatcher

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to place H.B. 432, as amended, on the Consent Calendar.  
The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. P. Knudson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Sen. D. Thatcher

**3. H.B. 225 Water Commissioner Amendments (*Chew, S.*)**

Rep. Chew explained the bill.

Kent Beers, Director of State Purchasing, spoke to the bill.

Kent Jones, State Engineer, Division of Water Rights, spoke to the bill.

John Mendenhall, Spanish Fork River Water Commissioner, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to pass H.B. 225 out favorably. The motion passed with a  
vote of 5-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Sen. P. Knudson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. D. Thatcher

**MOTION:** Sen. Iwamoto moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2017, meeting.  
The motion passed with a vote of 5-0-3.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Sen. P. Knudson

Nays:

Abs:

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. D. Thatcher

**4. 1st Sub. H.B. 320 Notaries Public Amendments (*Hutchings, E.*)**

Rep. Hutchings explained the bill.

Jen Storie, Notary Public Administrator, Lt. Governor's Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 320 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. J. Iwamoto

Nays:

Abs:

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

**5. H.B. 335 Utah Population Estimates Production (*Spendlove, R.*)**

Rep. Spendlove explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to pass H.B. 335 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. J. Iwamoto

Nays:

Abs:

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

**6. H.B. 417 Local Government Modifications (*Handy, S.*)**

Rep. Handy explained the bill.

LeGrand Bitter, Executive Director, Utah Association of Special Districts, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass H.B. 417 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4-0-4.

Yeas:

Sen. M. Dayton  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. J. Iwamoto

Nays:

Abs:

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

Sen. Ipson informed the committee that they were waiting for a bill sponsor.

HB0284 was not considered by the committee.

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

Yeas:

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. J. Iwamoto

Nays:

Abs:

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

Chair Ipson adjourned the meeting at 9:14 a.m.

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Sen. Don Ipson, Chair