

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, March 13, 2013 - 4:10 p.m. - Room 210 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard, Co-Chair
Rep. Melvin R. Brown, Co-Chair
Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson, Vice Chair
Rep. Brad R. Wilson, Vice Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Patricia W. Jones
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
President Wayne L. Niederhauser
Sen. Karen Mayne
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Sen. Luz Robles

Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Rep. Tim M. Cosgrove
Rep. Brad L. Dee
Rep. Gregory H. Hughes
Speaker Rebecca D. Lockhart
Rep. Don L. Ipson
Rep. Jennifer M. Seelig

Staff Present:

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Steven Allred, Deputy Director
Ms. Greta Rodebush, Legislative Secretary
Ms. Linda Black, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Call to Order/Approval of Minutes

Co-Chair Hillyard called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to approve the minutes of March 8, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

2 Fiscal Year 2013 and 2014 Budget Actions

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to approve the additional motions in the packet entitled, "Consolidated Motions for Senate Bill 3" and dated today, March 13, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to adopt the additional one-time and ongoing revenue sources as shown on the dark green sheet entitled, "Additional Revenue Sources, Executive Appropriations Committee" and dated today, March 13, 2013.

Rep. Briscoe asked if the committee had approved the Industrial Assistance Fund Set-aside on Friday, in an amount different from \$1,884,400, or if this was the first time the committee has seen the Industrial Assistance Fund Set-aside added to the additional revenue sources. Sen. Hillyard explained that there is about \$33 million in the Industrial Assistance Fund. This year, the \$2 million set-aside, which is scheduled to go into the Industrial Assistance Fund, will be held out.

Sen. Jones inquired about the Robosigning Settlement, \$1,390,300. It was her understanding that \$100,000 would provide counseling to mortgage loan borrowers who are in trouble or may be foreclosed on, and the remainder of the money will go into the General Fund for other purposes. Co-Chair Hillyard explained that the \$1,390,300 is part of a very large settlement that went mostly to victims. A small amount of money was set-aside to reimburse states' efforts in collecting settlement monies. Last year, Robosigning Settlement monies were used mostly for General Fund expenditures.

Co-Chair Hillyard called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to adopt the ongoing and one-time changes shown on the dark blue sheet entitled, "Additional Funding Items, Executive Appropriations Committee" and dated today, March 13, 2013 with the following change, reduce Seismic Safety to \$150,000 and add \$75,000 one-time for Extradition payments.

Sen. Hillyard explained that the Governor's Office had requested that the Seismic Safety funds be reallocated to Extradition payments. He also identified some additional funding items on the list that the Governor's Office had requested.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Co-Chair Brown moved to adopt the appropriation and intent language on the yellow sheet entitled, "FLDS Trust Appropriation." The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Co-Chair Brown moved to authorize legislative staff to prepare and number Senate Bill 3, Appropriations Adjustments, as an Executive Appropriations Committee bill. Staff shall include in this bill the actions of the Executive Appropriations Committee today, as well as other actions by the Legislature. In consultation with the co-chairs of the Executive Appropriations Committee, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst may make any technical changes necessary, including changes between funding sources and fiscal years in order to balance the overall budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Co-Chair Hillyard indicated that the Senate had passed all of the House fiscal note bills, with the exception of two, which he expected would pass. The House, on the other hand, still has a number of fiscal note bills to consider tonight. As soon as the fiscal note bills are finished, the Bill of Bills will be prepared and placed on legislators desks in the morning. Co-Chair Hillyard pointed out that once the Bill of Bills passes, if the Legislature funds any more fiscal note bills, there will be no money in them. In the meantime, the Legislature will continue to review all of the other bills that are up for final consideration.

3. Other Business

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Co-Chair Hillyard adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.