

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

Room 415, Utah State Capitol

March 6, 2015

Members Present: Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Alvin B. Jackson
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

Members Absent: Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard

Staff Present: Rich North, Policy Analyst
Brooke Parrish, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Hinkins called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2015 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dayton and Sen. Jackson absent for the vote.

H.B. 216 Sub. 2 Workplace Abusive Conduct Amendments to Promote a Healthy Workplace (*Rep. K. Stratton*)

Sen. Hinkins relinquished the Chair to Sen. Dayton.

Rep. Stratton explained the bill to the committee. The handout "Postcards" were distributed to the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Ms. Lauren Scholnick, Attorney

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Denise Howardson, citizen
Mr. Travis Ackermann, citizen
Mr. Todd Losser, Utah Public Employees' Association

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 341 Constitutional Debt (*Rep. J. Knotwell*)

Rep. Knotwell explained the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Escamilla voting in opposition.

H.B. 239 Human Resource Management Market Research Amendments (*Rep. E. Hutchings*)

Rep. Hutchings explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Debbie Cragun, Executive Director, Department of Human Resource Management

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 368 Executive Office Compensation (*Rep. B. Wilson*)

Rep. Wilson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Rodger Tew, Chair, Executive and Judicial Compensation Commission

MOTION: Sen. Jackson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Escamilla voting in opposition and Sen. Thatcher absent for the vote.

H.B. 340 Voter Preregistration Amendments (*Rep. J. Cox*)

Rep. Cox explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Mark Thomas, Chief Deputy/Director of Elections, Utah Lieutenant Governor's Office
Mr. Arie Van De Graaff, Utah Association of Counties

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Dayton voting in opposition and Sen. Thatcher absent for the vote.

H.B. 306 Fees for Government Records Requests (*Rep. Brian S. King*)

Rep. King explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Patricia Smith-Mansfield, Utah State Archivist

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Thatcher absent for the vote.

H.B. 338 Resolving Government Record Disputes (*Rep. R. Chavez-Houck*)

Rep. Chavez-Houck explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. John Dougall, Utah State Auditor

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Dayton adjourned the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair