

**MINUTES OF THE  
EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, March 11, 2015 – 4:10 p.m. – Room 210, Senate Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard, Co-Chair  
Rep. Dean Sanpei, Co-Chair  
Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson, Vice Chair  
Rep. Brad L. Dee, Vice Chair  
Sen. J. Stuart Adams  
Sen. Jim Dabakis  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. Peter C. Knudson  
Sen. Karen Mayne  
President Wayne L. Niederhauser  
Sen. Ralph Okerlund  
Rep. Patrice M. Arent

Rep. Joel K. Briscoe  
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck  
Rep. James A. Dunnigan  
Rep. Francis D. Gibson  
Speaker Gregory H. Hughes  
Rep. Brian S. King  
Rep. Brad R. Wilson

**Staff Present:**

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

**Note:** A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

**1. Call to Order/Approval of Minutes**

Co-Chair Hillyard called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Sanpei moved to approve the minutes dated January 29, 2015 and March 6, 2015. The motion passed with Sen. Escamilla, Rep. Dee, and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

**2. FY 2015 and FY 2016 Budget Actions**

**MOTION:** Rep. Sanpei moved to approve the additional motions in the packet entitled, “Consolidated Motions for Senate Bill 3” dated today, March 11, 2015. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dee and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Sanpei moved to adopt the additional one-time and ongoing revenue sources, and the additional one-time and ongoing budget changes, as shown on the lilac sheet entitled, “Additional Sources and Uses, Executive Appropriations Committee” dated today, March 11, 2015. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dee and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

Rep. Briscoe distributed a green sheet, “The Need for Clean Air Initiative,” to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Briscoe moved to adopt the additional one-time budget changes, as shown on the list below:

CARROT	\$500,000
DAQ	\$550,000

Transit Passes for State Employees      \$450,000

to be offset by a \$1.5 million reduction one year only in the Industrial Assistance Fund Replenishment (not the base Industrial Assistance Fund).

Rep. Arent spoke to the motion stating that air quality is a critical issue not only for our health but also for economic development. She pointed out that we have not been able to do much with the base budget for the CARROT Fund, the Division of Air Quality Research, and Transit Passes for State Employees, and that we need to do much more.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Sen. Davis moved to adopt the following intent language:

*The Legislature intends that the Transportation Commission consider funding \$500,000 from the Transportation Investment Fund of 2005 Capacity Program for the East Capitol Boulevard project.*

The substitute motion passed unanimously in the Senate and failed in the House with Rep. Arent, Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Chavez-Houck, and Rep. King voting in favor of the motion. The motion failed.

A vote was taken on Rep. Briscoe's underlying motion. The motion tied in the Senate with Sen. Dabakis, Sen. Davis, Sen. Escamilla, and Sen. Mayne voting in favor of the motion, and failed in the House with Rep. Arent, Rep. Briscoe, Rep. Chavez-Houck, and Rep. King voting in favor of the motion. The motion failed.

**MOTION:** Rep. Dee moved to reduce the appropriation of \$19,630,000 to \$19,380,000 General Fund One-time provided to the DJJS Weber Valley Multi-use Youth Center in Item 47, Senate Bill 2, 2015 General Session, and reallocate the one-time \$250,000 appropriation to the Law Enforcement Services Account for halfway house enforcement support.

Rep. Dee explained that the \$250,000 GF one-time would go to local governments to help with halfway house enforcement support while the DJJS Weber Valley Multi-use Center is being built. He indicated that this action does not change the overall budget but will address a justice reinvestment effort that was overlooked.

Sen. Escamilla spoke in support of the motion and the need to adequately fund halfway houses in local communities.

The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Rep. King moved to adopt the additional one-time and ongoing revenue sources, and the additional one-time and ongoing budget changes from bills that passed and generate General Fund revenue as follows:

SB092 – Dental Practice Act Amendments	\$1,400
SB131 – Occupational Therapy Amendments	\$2,100
HB020 – Jury Duty Amendments	\$3,300
HB121 – Interstate Medical Licensure	\$22,000

HB145 – Vulnerable Adult Worker Act	\$26,200
HB172 – Payroll Service Act Amendments	\$15,000
HB254S1 – Livestock Branding Amendments	\$6,000
Subtotal	\$75,200

Items to be funded:

Utah Ethnic and Mining Museum	\$20,000
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A copy of Rep. King’s motion was distributed to the committee.

Co-Chair Hillyard asked if the fiscal notes bills were one-time or ongoing and if the Utah Ethnic and Mining Museum, the item to be funded, was one-time or ongoing. Rep. King indicated that some bills generate revenue one-time and other bills generate revenue on an ongoing basis. Funding for the Utah Ethnic and Mining Museum is one-time and would be used to revamp the heating and air conditioning system to allow the museum to stay open year round.

Rep. Arent noted that the appropriation for the Utah Ethnic and Mining Museum was heard in the Business, Economic Development, and Labor Appropriations Subcommittee and was prioritized above many other items that were funded in that budget.

The motion passed with Sen. Hillyard, Sen. Stevenson, Sen. Okerlund, Sen. Knudson, Rep. Sanpei, Rep. Dee, and Rep. Dunnigan voting in opposition to the motion.

**MOTION:** Rep. Sanpei 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 approved 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.

Rep. Arent asked if the EAC would be meeting again given that not all of the funding items are in the budget. Co-Chair Hillyard responded that the committee may or may not be meeting. He indicated that the LFA would be distributing a list of funded items in each of the caucuses, and that if there were any funding changes, they could be made in the bill of bills.

The motion passed unanimously.

### 3. Other Business/Adjourn

**MOTION:** Rep. Sanpei moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Co-Chair Hillyard adjourned the meeting at 4:43 p.m.