

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday , January 23, 2018 • 2:00 p.m. • 30 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Jeremy A. Peterson, Chair
Rep. Norman K. Thurston, Vice Chair
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Rep. Brad M. Daw
Rep. Daniel McCay

Rep. Merrill F. Nelson
Rep. Lee B. Perry
Rep. Val L. Peterson
Rep. Adam Robertson

Staff Present:

Mr. Brian J. Bean, Policy Analyst
Ms. Wendy Hill, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

1 . H.B. 55 Veterans and Military Affairs Amendments (*Ray, P.*)

Rep. Ray explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Daw moved to pass H.B. 55 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 2 .

Yeas-8

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. D. McCay
Rep. M. Nelson

MOTION: Rep. Daw moved to place H.B. 55 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 2 .

Yeas-8

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. D. McCay
Rep. M. Nelson

2 . H.B. 56 Emergency Personnel Recording Amendments (*Maloy, A.C.*)

Rep. Maloy presented the bill with the assistance of Brandon Howard, paramedic, West Valley City and Lehi City fire departments.

MOTION: Rep. V. Peterson moved to pass H.B. 56 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-9

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Rep. D. McCay

3 . H.B. 72 Personal Communications of Governmental Entity Employees and Officers (*Fawson, J.*)

Rep. Justin L. Fawson explained the bill.

Lincoln Shurtz, Director of External Relations, Utah Association of Counties, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Gary Crane, Attorney, Layton City, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Marina Lowe, Legislative Counsel, American Civil Liberties Union of Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Daw moved to hold H.B. 72. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-9

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Rep. D. McCay

4 . H.B. 96 Amendment to Constitutional and Federalism Defense Act Repealer (*Ivory, K.*)

Rep. Ivory explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Nelson moved to pass H.B. 96 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 1 - 1 .

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Rep. P. Arent
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-1

Rep. R. Chavez-Houck

Absent-1

Rep. D. McCay

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-9

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. D. McCay

Chair Peterson adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.