

(Approved)
MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE
Friday , February 9, 2018 • 3:40 p.m. • 30 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Kay J. Christofferson, Chair
Rep. Logan Wilde, Vice Chair
Rep. Justin L. Fawson
Rep. Michael S. Kennedy
Rep. Karen Kwan
Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Adam Robertson
Rep. John R. Westwood

Members Absent:

Rep. Walt Brooks
Rep. Lynn N. Hemingway
Rep. John Knotwell
Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Ms. Wendy Hill, Committee Secretary
Mr. Alex R. Janak, Policy Analyst

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

Chair Wilde called the meeting to order.

1 . H.B. 64 Distracted Driver Amendments (Moss, C.)

Rep. Carol Spackman Moss presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Terry Warner, Victim Services Coordinator, Cache County Attorney's Office.

Handouts "2016 Utah Crash Facts" and "Effectiveness of Hands-Free Laws" was distributed to the committee.

Ms. Leslee Henson Rasmussen, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Carrie Silcox, Deputy Director, Utah Highway Safety Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Rachel Peterson, Safety Commissioner, Utah Parent Teacher Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Elissa Schee, Never Forget Margay, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Mel Parkes, American Radio Relay League, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Brian Allen, American Family Insurance, spoke in favor of the bill.

Colonel Michael Rapich, Utah Highway Patrol, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Molly Davis, Policy Analyst, Libertas Institute, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to pass H.B. 64 out favorably.

MOTION: Rep. Kwan moved to move to next agenda item.

Rep. Kwan withdrew the motion.

Rep. Westwood's motion to pass H.B. 64 out favorably failed with a vote of 3 - 5 - 4 .

Yeas-3

Rep. K. Kwan

Nays-5

Rep. K. Christofferson

Absent-4

Rep. W. Brooks

Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson

Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to approve the minutes of February 6, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-8

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

2 . H.C.R. 11 Concurrent Resolution Urging Congress to Repeal the Jones Act (*Wheatley, M.*)

Rep. Mark A. Wheatley explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass H.C.R. 11 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-7

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

3 . S.B. 55 Motor Vehicle Registration Amendments (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Wayne A. Harper explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to amend S.B. 55 with Amendment #2. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5 .

Amendment 2

S.B. 55

1. Page 1, Lines 12 through 15a:
Senate Committee Amendments
1-25-2018

12 This bill:

13 ▶ requires a waiver of a fine for a violation for failure to display ~~the~~ a license plate or
13a registration decals if:

14 ● the vehicle was properly registered at the time of the citation; and

15 ● the person cited provides evidence, within 21 business days, that the ~~the~~ license plate and
have

15a been properly displayed ~~and~~ ; and

▶ allows a year decal to be displayed over or in place of the previous year sticker.

2. Page 3, Line 82 through Page 4, Line 91:

82 (8) The current year decal issued in accordance with Subsection (5) shall be placed
83 over or in place of the previous year decal.

84 (9) If a license plate, month decal, or year decal is lost or destroyed, a replacement shall
85 be issued upon application and payment of the fees required under Section 41-1a-1211 or
86 41-1a-1212.

87 (10) (a) A violation of this section is an infraction.

88 (b) A court shall waive a fine for a violation under this section if:

89 (i) the registration for the vehicle was current at the time of the citation; and

90 (ii) the person to whom the citation was issued provides, within 21 business days, evidence that
the ~~the~~ license plate

90a and ~~the~~ decals are

91 properly displayed in compliance with this section.

Yeas-7

Rep. K. Christofferson

Rep. M. Kennedy

Rep. K. Kwan

Rep. J. Moss

Rep. A. Robertson

Rep. J. Westwood

Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks

Rep. J. Fawson

Rep. L. Hemingway

Rep. J. Knotwell

Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Kwan moved to pass S.B. 55 as amended out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-7

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

4 . 1st Sub. S.B. 56 Vehicle Platooning Amendments (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Wayne A. Harper explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 56 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-7

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

5 . H.B. 171 Motor Vehicle Emissions Amendments (*Romero, A.*)

Rep. Angela Romero presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Jessica Reimer, Policy Associate, HEAL Utah, Mr. Cameron Mitchell, Executive Director, Utah Association of Local Health Departments and Mr. Dennis Keith, Director, Davis County Environmental Health Division.

Mr. Bryce Bird, Director, Division of Air Quality, Utah Department of Environmental Quality, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Kennedy moved to replace H.B. 171 with 1st Substitute H.B. 171. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-7

Rep. K. Christofferson

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks

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Rep. K. Kwan
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Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 171 out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE Rep. Robertson moved to adjourn. The Substitute motion failed with a vote of 1 - 6 - 5 .

MOTION:

Yeas-1

Rep. A. Robertson

Nays-6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

Rep. Westwood's motion to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 171 out favorably passed with a vote of 6 - 1 - 5 .

Yeas-6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-1

Rep. A. Robertson

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Westwood moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-7

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. M. Kennedy
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. J. Westwood
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. M. Schultz

Vice Chair Wilde adjourned the meeting.