

(Approved)
MINUTES OF THE
SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE
Wednesday , February 14, 2018 • 8:11 a.m. • 415 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Peter C. Knudson

Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Sen. Brian Zehnder

Staff Present:

Ms. Paula Morgan, Committee Secretary
Mr. J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst

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

Chair Dayton called the meeting to order at 8:11 AM.

1 . S.B. 108 Raw Milk Amendments (*Hinkins, D.*)

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to replace S.B. 108 with 1st Substitute S.B. 108. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. Hinkins explained the bill.

Scott Ericson, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, spoke to the bill.

Mike Kohler, Manager, Dairy Producers of Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Sterling Brown, Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Sen. Christensen assumed the chair.

Coleen Dick, Cofounder, Onchenda Food Coop, spoke in favor of the bill.

Symbria Patterson, Executive Director, Ded. Acre Center, spoke in favor of the bill.

Dave Davis , President, Utah Food Industry/ Utah Retail Merchants, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Sen. Dayton resumed the chair.

Lee Ann Whetten, Citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Molly Davis, Policy Analyst, Libertas Institute, spoke in favor of the bill.

Sheila McDonald, Utah Department of Health, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 108 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 1 - 0 .

Yeas-6

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-1

Sen. B. Zehnder

Absent-0

2 . H.B. 60 Water Commissioner Amendments (*Chew, S.*)

Rep. Chew explained the bill.

John Reidhead, Director, Division of Finance, spoke in opposition to the bill.

John Mendenhall, Water Commissioner, Spanish Fork, spoke in favor of the bill.

Chris Hughes, Director of Purchasing, State of Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 60 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 1 - 1 .

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-1

Sen. E. Vickers

Absent-1

Sen. J. Iwamoto

3 . 1st Sub. H.B. 97 Local Food Advisory Council Amendments (*Handy, S.*)

Rep. Handy explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 97 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

Sen. A. Christensen

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to approve the minutes for January 31 and February 8, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. Christensen assumed the chair.

4 . S.B. 168 Utah Agricultural Code Amendments (*Dayton, M.*)

Sen. Dayton introduced the bill.

Scott Erickson, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Agriculture explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to amend S.B. 168 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0 .

Amendment 1
S.B. 168

1 Page 32, Lines 973 through 974

973 (b) three cattle ranchers, one from each of the state's brand districts {~~-, recommended by~~
974 ~~the county cattlemen's associations~~};

Yeas-7

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-0

Sen. B. Zehnder

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass S.B. 168 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. A. Christensen

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. M. Dayton

Sen. D. Hinkins

Sen. P. Knudson

Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. B. Zehnder

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 AM. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. A. Christensen

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. M. Dayton

Sen. D. Hinkins

Sen. P. Knudson

Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. B. Zehnder