

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**

Thursday , February 15, 2018 • 2:00 p.m. • 250 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. Jim Dabakis
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Peter C. Knudson

Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell
Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Sen. Brian Zehnder

Staff Present:

Mr. Brent Palmer, Policy Analyst
Ms. Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Fillmore called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2018 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

1 . S.B. 161 Nurse Home Visiting Pay-for-success Program (*Escamilla (Robles), L.*)

Sen. Escamilla explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to replace S.B. 161 with 1st Substitute S.B. 161. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2 .

Yeas-6

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. Escamilla explained the substituted bill with the assistance of Ms. Erin Jenison, YWCA Utah, Jesse West, Nurse Family Partnership Program, and Dr. Neil Davis, Pediatrician, Intermountain Medical Group.

Mr. Paul Patrick, Division Director, Department of Health, spoke to the bill with the assistance of Sam Lee, Department of Health.

Ms. Anna Thomas, Senior Policy Analyst, Voices for Utah Children, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Diane Forster-Burke, Co-Chair Government Relations , Utah Nurses Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Caroline Ross, Director, Sorenson Impact Center, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to table 1st Substitute S.B. 161.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 161 out favorably. The Substitute motion passed with a vote of 7 - 1 - 0 .

Yeas-7

Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-1

Sen. A. Christensen

Absent-0

2 . S.B. 172 Medicaid Waiver Amendments (*Hemmert, D.*)

Sen. Hemmert explained the bill.

Mr. Danny Harris, Director of Advocacy, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Utah. spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Andrew Riggle, Public Policy Advocate, Disability Law Center, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Stan Rasmussen, Vice President, Sutherland Institute, spoke in favor of the bill.

Dr. Bill Crogrove, Pediatrician, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Sen. Zehnder assumed the chair.

Ms. Anna Thomas, Policy Analyst, Voices for Utah Children, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Sen. Fillmore resumed the chair.

Ms. Jennifer Dailey-Provost, Academy of Family Physicians, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Ryan Jensen, Vice President Chair, Democratic Health Care Caucus, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ms. Stacy Stanford, Health Policy Associate, Utah Health Policy Project, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ms. Maryann Christensen, Executive Director, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Dave Gessel, Executive Vice President, Utah Hospitals Association, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass S.B. 172 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 1 - 2 .

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-1

Sen. J. Dabakis

Absent-2

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson

3 . 1st Sub. H.B. 112 Payments for State Care of Children (*Watkins, C.*)

Rep. Watkins explained the bill with the assistance of Tammie Hamblin, Deputy Director, Office of Recovery Services.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 112 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson

4 . 2nd Sub. H.B. 167 Incapacitated Person Revisions (*Winder, M.*)

Sen. Hillyard explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Van Tassell moved to amend 2nd Substitute H.B. 167 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4 .

Amendment 1
2nd Sub. H.B. 167

1 Page 5, Lines 123 through 125

123 { ~~(4) A court shall provide to the Social Security Administration a court order affecting~~

- 124 {~~the estate of a ward or person alleged to be incapacitated if the ward or person alleged to be~~}
125 {~~incapacitated receives social security benefits,~~—}

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. E. Vickers

Rep. Winder explained the amended bill.

Mr. Andrew Riggle, Public Policy Advocate, Disability Law Center, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Langen Owen, Attorney, Guardianship Attorney, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Kent Alderman, Attorney, Elder Law, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 167 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 2 - 1 - 5 .

Yeas-2

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-1

Sen. L. Fillmore

Absent-5

Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers

5 . H.B. 14 Substance Abuse Treatment Facility Patient Brokering (*Hutchings, E.*)

Rep. Hutchings explained the bill.

Mr. Frank Pignanelli, General Counsel, Blue Cross Blue Shield, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Adam Cohen, President, Association of Addiction Treatment Providers (AATP) Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass H.B. 14 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-3

Sen. A. Christensen

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Dabakis

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Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. B. Zehnder

Sen. L. Escamilla
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MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-3

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. E. Vickers

Chair Fillmore adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m.