

(Approved)
MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE REVENUE AND TAXATION STANDING COMMITTEE
Thursday , February 15, 2018 • 2:00 p.m. • 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Eliason, Chair
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers, Vice Chair
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Gage Froerer
Rep. Brian M. Greene
Rep. Ken Ivory
Rep. Brian S. King
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee
Rep. Jefferson Moss

Rep. Tim Quinn
Rep. Robert M. Spendlove
Rep. Daniel McCay

Members Absent:

Rep. Brad R. Wilson

Staff Present:

Mr. Leif G. Elder, Policy Analyst
Ms. An Bradshaw, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Eliason called the meeting to order at 2:14 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2018 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 6 .

Yeas-7

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. B. King
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove

Nays-0

Absent-6

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. B. Wilson

1 . H.B. 367 Transient Room Tax Amendments (Noel, M.)

Rep. Noel presented the bill to the committee. Ms. Andrea Valenti Arthur, attorney, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, was available to answer questions.

Rep. Sagers assumed the chair.

Ms. Kaitlin Eskelson, Executive Director, Utah Tourism Industry Association, spoke in opposition to the bill and provided a handout, "The Utah Tourism Industry Association Opposes HB 367."

Mr. Ron Winterton, Commissioner, Duchesne County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Leland Pollock, Commissioner, Garfield County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Jordan Garn, Executive Director, Utah Hotel and Lodging Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Dennis Blackburn, Commissioner, Wayne County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Michele Weaver, Rural Community Assistance Program, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Kaitlyn Eskelson clarified that she was not speaking on behalf of Garfield County but for private sector lodging properties.

MOTION: Rep. Ivory moved to replace H.B. 367 with 1st Substitute H.B. 367. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-10

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. King
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Rep. Ivory moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 367 out favorably.

Rep. Ivory's motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-10

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. King
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. B. Wilson

2 . S.B. 77 Tax Administration Amendments (*Bramble, C.*)

Sen. Bramble presented the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass S.B. 77 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-10

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. King
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. B. Wilson

3 . H.B. 357 Evaluating Tax Revenue Foregone from Federally Controlled Lands (*Ivory, K.*)

Rep. Ivory presented the bill with the assistance of: Mr. Matt Anderson, Director of the Coalition for Self-Government in the West, Sutherland Institute; Mr. Leland Pollock, Commissioner, Garfield County; and Mr. Thomas Young, fiscal analyst, Office of the Fiscal Analyst.

Mr. Mark Whitney, Commissioner, Beaver County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Darin Bushman, Commissioner, Piute County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Dennis Blackburn, Commissioner, Wayne County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Victor Iverson, Commissioner, Washington County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Sterling Brown, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Kory Holdaway, citizen and former legislator, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Lisonbee moved to pass H.B. 357 out favorably.

Rep. Lisonbee's motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-8

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. B. Greene

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. B. King
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn

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Rep. B. Wilson

4 . S.B. 72 Business Income Tax Modifications (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Harper presented the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Lisonbee moved to pass S.B. 72 out favorably.

Rep. Lisonbee's motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-10

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. J. Briscoe
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5 . H.B. 277 Nonrefundable Retirement Tax Credits (*Westwood, J.*)

Rep. Westwood presented the bill to the committee.

Mr. Danny Harris, AARP, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to replace H.B. 277 with 1st Substitute H.B. 277. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-10

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. J. Briscoe
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Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Quinn
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 277 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-10

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Rep. K. Lisonbee
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Rep. T. Quinn
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Rep. R. Spendlove

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. King
Rep. D. McCay
Rep. B. Wilson

MOTION: Rep. Spendlove moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-10

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Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. King
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Chair Sagers adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m.