

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

Wednesday , February 21, 2018 • 4:00 p.m. • 250 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. Jim Dabakis
Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Sen. Brian Zehnder

Members Absent:

Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell

Staff Present:

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

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 4:03 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 and February 20, 2018 meetings. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. B. Zehnder

1 . S.B. 208 Pharmacy Benefits Manager or Coordinator Amendments (*Vickers, E.*)

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to replace S.B. 208 with 1st Substitute S.B. 208. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell
Sen. B. Zehnder

Sen. Vickers explained the bill.

Ms. Michelle McOmber, Chief Executive Officer, Utah Medical Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Neil Nebughr, Director of Pharmacy, Utah Cancer Specialists, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Frank Pignanelli, Express Script, Blue Cross Blue Shield, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dabakis moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 208 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-5

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell

Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

2 . 3rd Sub. H.B. 195 Medical Cannabis Policy (*Daw, B.*)

Rep. Daw explained the bill.

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

Ms. Michelle McOmber, Chief Executive Officer, Utah Medical Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Justin Ariola, Board Member, TRUCE, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Gregory Glen Herod spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 195 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell

3 . 2nd Sub. H.B. 197 Cannabis Cultivation Amendments (*Daw, B.*)

Rep. Daw explained the bill.

Mr. Scott Ericson, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Edward Leary, Commissioner, Utah Commission of Financial Institutions, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Justin Ariola, Board Member, TRUCE, spoke in opposition to the bill.

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

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 197 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. K. Van Tassell

4 . 1st Sub. H.C.R. 12 Concurrent Resolution Calling upon Congress to Assure a Complete and Accurate 2020 Census (*Chavez-Houck, R.*)

Rep. Chavez-Houck explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dabakis moved to pass 1st Substitute H.C.R. 12 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-4

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

Nays-0

Absent-4

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

MOTION: Sen. Dabakis moved to place 1st Substitute H.C.R. 12 on the Consent Calendar. The motion failed with a vote of 3 - 1 - 4 .

Yeas-3

Sen. J. Dabakis
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. B. Zehnder

Nays-1

Sen. A. Christensen

Absent-4

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

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-4

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

Nays-0

Absent-4

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

Chair Fillmore adjourned the meeting at 5:11 p.m.