

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE**
Thursday, March 1, 2018 • 4:13 p.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:

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

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 4:15 PM.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to approve the minutes for February 28. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2 .

Yeas-5

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

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. B. Zehnder

1 . 1st Sub. H.B. 432 Agriculture Revisions (Sandall, S.)

Rep. Sandall explained the bill.

Luann Adams, Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

Brent Tanner, Utah Cattleman's Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 432 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Amendment 1
1st Sub. H.B. 432

1. Page 6, Lines 158 through 167:

158 (1) The council is exempt from:

159 (a) Title 51, Chapter 5, Funds Consolidation Act;

160 {~~(b) Title 51, Chapter 7, State Money Management Act;~~}

161 {~~(c)~~} (b) Title 63A, Utah Administrative Services Code, except as provided in Subsection

162 (2)(c);

163 {~~(d)~~} (c) Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act; and

164 {~~(e)~~} (d) Title 67, Chapter 19, Utah State Personnel Management Act.

165 (2) The council is subject to:

166 (a) Title 51, {~~Public Funds and Accounts, except as provided in Subsections~~

167 ~~4-21-106(1)(a) and (b)~~} ~~Chapter 7, State Money Management Act~~ ;

2. Page 8, Lines 238 through 240:

- 238 { ~~(3)~~ Upon receipt of the funds, the council may deposit revenue from the collection of
239 fees in one or more accounts in one or more banks approved by the state as depositories. }
240 { ~~(4)~~ } (3) The books, records, and accounts of the council's activities are public records.

Yeas-6

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

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. B. Zehnder

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 432 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

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

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. B. Zehnder

2 . 2nd Sub. H.B. 274 Brine Shrimp Royalty Amendments (*Barlow, S.*)

Sen. Hinkins explained the bill with the assistance of Mike Styler, Director, Department of Natural Resources.

Rep. Barlow continued explaining the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 274 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0 .

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

3 . 1st Sub. H.B. 251 Utah Wholesome Food Act Amendments (*Stratton, K.*)

Rep. Stratton explained the bill.

Luann Adams, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture and Food, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 251 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

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

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. A. Christensen

4 . H.C.R. 10 Concurrent Resolution Approving the Statewide Resource Management Plan (*Stratton, K.*)

Rep. Stratton explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.C.R. 10 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0 .

Yeas-7

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

Nays-0

Absent-0

5 . 1st Sub. H.B. 275 State Monuments Act Amendments (*Eliason, S.*)

Sen. Hinkins explained the bill with the assistance of Chris Haller, Program Coordinator, Utah Parks and Recreation,

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 275 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0 .

Yeas-7

Nays-0

Absent-0

Sen. A. Christensen

Sen. M. Dayton

Sen. D. Hinkins

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. P. Knudson

Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. B. Zehnder

6 . 1st Sub. H.B. 272 Utah Lake Amendments (*McKell, M.*)

Rep. McKell explained the bill.

Eric Ellis, Executive Director, Utah Lake Commission. spoke to the bill.

Mike Styler, Director, Utah Department of Natural Resources, spoke to the bill.

Jeff Salt, Executive Director, Great Salt Lakekeeper and Friends of Utah Lake, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Suzanne Harrison, Citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Nick Skou, Conservation Director, Utah Rivers Council, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ashley Soltysiak, Director, Utah Sierra Club, spoke in opposition to the bill.

James Webster, Land Planning Consultant, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 272 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 2 - 0 .

Yeas-5

Nays-2

Absent-0

Sen. A. Christensen

Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. M. Dayton

Sen. B. Zehnder

Sen. D. Hinkins

Sen. P. Knudson

Sen. E. Vickers

7 . H.B. 302 Cultivation of Industrial Hemp (Daw, B.)

Rep. Daw explained the bill.

Melissa Ure, Policy Analyst, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass H.B. 302 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

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

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. E. Vickers

8 . 1st Sub. H.C.R. 7 Concurrent Resolution on Environmental and Economic Stewardship (Edwards, R.)

Rep. Edwards explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to amend 1st Substitute H.C.R. 7 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Amendment 1
1st Sub. H.C.R. 7

1. Page 2, Lines 45 through 54:

- 45 WHEREAS, the Department of Health has issued a report outlining the increased risk
46 of extreme weather events, including wildfires, water scarcity, and flooding;
47 {~~WHEREAS, the Department of Health has reported an increase in the prevalence of~~
48 ~~health concerns such as elevated asthma rates and other respiratory illnesses as a potential~~
49 ~~consequence of a changing climate;~~ }
50 WHEREAS, the impacts of a changing climate may {~~negatively~~} affect Utah citizens and
51 impair productivity in key economic areas;
52 WHEREAS, any efforts to mitigate the risks of, prepare for, or otherwise address our
53 changing climate and its effects should not constrain the economy nor its global
54 competitiveness; and

Yeas-6

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
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Sen. E. Vickers

Rep. Edwards continued explaining the bill.

Wes Carter, Student, Logan High School, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nicole Milavetz, Student, West High School, spoke in favor of the bill.

Colin Green, Co-Director, Climate Campaign, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jeff Rogers, Utah Technology Council, spoke in favor of the bill.

John Cox, Rocky Mountain Power, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass 1st Substitute H.C.R. 7 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

Nays-0

Absent-1

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

Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 PM. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-6

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. M. Dayton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto

Sen. E. Vickers

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