

**MINUTES OF THE  
EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

Wednesday , February 14, 2018 • 4:10 p.m. • 445 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson, Senate Chair  
Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell, Senate Vice Chair  
Rep. Mike Schultz, House Vice Chair  
Sen. J. Stuart Adams  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. Jani Iwamoto  
Sen. Peter C. Knudson  
Sen. Karen Mayne  
President Wayne L. Niederhauser  
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe  
Rep. Sandra Hollins  
Speaker Gregory H. Hughes

Rep. Brian S. King  
Rep. Angela Romero  
Rep. Brad R. Wilson

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Bradley G. Last, House Chair  
Sen. Ralph Okerlund  
Rep. Francis D. Gibson  
Rep. John Knotwell

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Director  
Mr. Steven M. Allred, Deputy Director  
Ms. Greta G. Rodebush, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

**1 . Call to Order/Approval of Minutes**

Chair Jerry W. Stevenson called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m. House Vice Chair Mike Schultz assumed the House Chair. The Committee did not act on the minutes at this time.

**2 . Requests for Appropriation**

Rep. Keven J. Stratton presented the request for appropriation for the Legislative Legal Fund and responded to questions.

**MOTION:** Rep. Schultz moved to approve the minutes of February 1, 2018 and February 2, 2018. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 7 .

Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Sen. G. Davis  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Rep. B. King  
Sen. P. Knudson  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Sen. W. Niederhauser  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Sen. K. Van Tassell  
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays-0

Absent-7

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. G. Hughes  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. B. Last  
Sen. R. Okerlund  
Rep. A. Romero

**3 . Subcommittee Budget Reports**

a. Retirement and Independent Entities (Tab 8)

Sen. Brian Zehnder, Co-Chair, and Rep. Lavar Chistensen, Co-Chair, presented the subcommittee report and responded to questions. Dr. Thomas Young, Senior Economist/Forecaster, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA), provided assistance.

### [3a-Retirement and Independent Entities Appropriations Subcommittee Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

Ms. Tami Pfeiffer, UETN Board member, clarified the Digital Teaching and Learning Shared Services funding request.

#### b. Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality (Tab 6)

Sen. David P. Hinkins, Co-Chair, Rep. Stewart E. Barlow, Co-Chair, and Rep. Scott H. Chew, House Vice Chair, presented the subcommittee report and responded to questions. Mr. Ivan Djambov, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, and Mr. Alex Wilson, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, provided assistance.

### [3b-Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Enviro. Qual. Appropriations Subcommittee Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Director, LFA, clarified that all state appropriations must be made to state agencies and that state agencies must follow state procurement laws.

#### c. Business, Economic Development, and Labor (Tab 2)

Sen. Daniel Hemmert, Co-Chair, Rep. R. Curt Webb, Co-Chair, and Rep. Scott D. Sandall, House Vice Chair, presented the subcommittee report. Dr. Andrea Wilko, Chief Economist, LFA, and Ms. Alysha Gardner, Staff Economist, LFA, provided assistance.

### [3c-Business, Economic Development, and Labor Appropriations Subcommittee Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

#### d. Social Services (Tab 9)

Sen. Allen M. Christensen, Co-Chair, and Rep. Paul Ray, Co-Chair, presented the subcommittee report. Mr. Russell Frandsen, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, Ms. Clare Tobin Lence, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, and Ms. Alysha Gardner, Staff Economist, LFA, provided assistance.

### [3d-Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee Report \(2018 GS\)](#)

Sen. Christensen discussed the funding request for The Inn Between and responded to questions.

## **4 . Other Business/Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Rep. Schultz moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 16 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-16

Sen. J. Adams  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. G. Hughes  
Sen. J. Iwamoto  
Rep. B. King  
Sen. P. Knudson  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Sen. W. Niederhauser  
Rep. A. Romero  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Sen. K. Van Tassell  
Rep. B. Wilson

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. B. Last  
Sen. R. Okerlund

Chair Stevenson adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.