

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE**

Tuesday , February 27, 2018 • 4:10 p.m. • 30 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Jeremy A. Peterson, Chair
Rep. Justin L. Fawson, Vice Chair
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Rep. Brad M. Daw
Rep. Merrill F. Nelson
Rep. Lee B. Perry

Rep. Val L. Peterson
Rep. Adam Robertson
Rep. Travis M. Seegmiller
Rep. Norman K. Thurston

Staff Present:

Mr. Brian J. Bean, Policy Analyst
Ms. Wendy Hill, Committee Secretary

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

Vice Chair Fawson called the meeting to order at 4:44 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2018, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-7

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. T. Seegmiller

1 . 2nd Sub. S.B. 83 State Real Property Amendments (*Dayton, M.*)

Sen. Margaret Dayton explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 83 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-8

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. T. Seegmiller

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to place 2nd Substitute S.B. 83 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-8

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. J. Peterson

Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Rep. T. Seegmiller

2 . H.B. 436 Officeholder Vacancy Amendments (Daw, B.)

Rep. Daw explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass H.B. 436 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-8

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. T. Seegmiller

3 . H.B. 391 Lobbying by State Agencies Amendments (Peterson, V)

Rep. V. Peterson explained the bill.

Ron Gordon, General Counsel, Governor's Office, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Terry Shoemaker, Associate Executive Director, Utah School Boards Association, spoke to the bill.

Joni Beals, Grass-Roots Director, Americans for Prosperity, spoke in favor of the bill.

Royce Van Tassell, Executive Director, Utah Association of Public Charter Schools, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to replace H.B. 391 with 1st Substitute H.B. 391. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 2 - 0 .

Yeas-9

Rep. B. Daw

Nays-2

Rep. P. Arent

Absent-0

Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. N. Thurston

Rep. R. Chavez-Houck

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 391 with Amendment #1:

Amendment 1
1st Sub. H.B. 391

1. Page 8, Line 239 through Page 9, Line 247:

239 53B-3-102;

(v) a member of a local school board;

240 {~~(v)~~} (vi) in addition to an individual described in Subsections (24)(b)(i) through {~~(iv)~~} (v), one

241 designee of the individual, if the individual files a written document with the lieutenant

242 governor specifying the designee;

243 {~~(vi)~~} (vii) a state legislator;

244 {~~(vii)~~} (viii) an individual employed by the state legislative branch;

245 {~~(viii)~~} (ix) a member of the State Board of Education; or

246 {~~(ix)~~} (x) a member of the State Tax Commission.

247 (25) (a) "State entity" means:

Rep. Thurston's motion to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 391 with Amendment #1 passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 0 .

Yeas-11

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. N. Thurston

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 391 out favorably, as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 3 - 1 .

Yeas-7

Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-3

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. M. Nelson

Absent-1

Rep. A. Robertson

4 . 1st Sub. S.B. 137 Amendments Relating to Government Records (*Bramble, C.*)

Sen. Curtis S. Bramble explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 137 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-10

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. A. Robertson

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to place 1st Substitute S.B. 137 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-10

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Nelson

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. A. Robertson

Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. N. Thurston

5 . S.B. 170 Conservation District Amendments (*Henderson, D.*)

Sen. Deidre M. Henderson explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass S.B. 170 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-10

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. A. Robertson

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to place S.B. 170 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1 .

Yeas-10

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. R. Chavez-Houck
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. J. Fawson
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. J. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. A. Robertson

MOTION: Rep. Daw moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 1 - 1 .

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Yeas-9

Rep. P. Arent

Rep. R. Chavez-Houck

Rep. B. Daw

Rep. J. Fawson

Rep. M. Nelson

Rep. L. Perry

Rep. J. Peterson

Rep. V. Peterson

Rep. T. Seegmiller

Nays-1

Rep. N. Thurston

Absent-1

Rep. A. Robertson

Vice Chair Fawson adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.