



MINUTES

SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, February 13, 2019 | 3:40 p.m. | 250 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Ronald Winterton, Chair
 Sen. David G. Buxton
 Sen. Allen M. Christensen
 Sen. Luz Escamilla
 Sen. Jani Iwamoto
 Sen. Scott D. Sandall

Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Members Absent:

President J. Stuart Adams

Staff Present:

Mr. Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst
 Ms. Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Winterton called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2019 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-6

Sen. D. Buxton
 Sen. A. Christensen
 Sen. L. Escamilla
 Sen. J. Iwamoto
 Sen. E. Vickers
 Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. J. Adams
 Sen. S. Sandall

1 . S.B. 59 Child Welfare Worker Protections (Vickers, E.)

Sen. Vickers presented the bill with the assistance of Mr. Douglas Spencer, Caseworker, Division of Child and Family Services within the Department of Human Services, and Ms. Diane Moore, Director, Division of Child and Family Services.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to amend S.B. 59 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
 S.B. 0059

1. Page 2, Lines 29 through 34:

29 (2) An individual who commits an assault or threat of violence against a child welfare
 30 worker is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if:

31 (a) the individual is not :

(i) a prisoner or an individual detained under Section 77-7-15; or

(ii) a minor in the custody of or receiving services from a division within the Department of Human Services;

32 (b) the individual knew that the victim was a child welfare worker; and

33 (c) the child welfare worker was acting within the scope of the child welfare worker's

34 authority at the time of the assault or threat of violence.



Yeas-7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Adams

Mr. Todd Losser, Executive Director, Utah Public Employees Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass S.B. 59 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Adams

2 . S.B. 143 Public Education Vision Screening (Escamilla (Robles), L.)

Sen. Escamilla presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Betty Sue Hinkson, State School Nurse Consultant, Utah Department of Health.

Ms. Savannah Heidemann, Student, Provo High School, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Mark Brinton, General Counsel and Director of Government Affairs, Utah Medical Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Lynette Heidemann, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. DeAnn Kettenring, Health Commissioner, Utah Parent Teacher Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to pass S.B. 143 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. E. Vickers

3 . H.B. 77 Health Information Exchange Amendments (Daw, B.)

Rep. Daw presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Navina Forsythe, Director, Office of Public Health Assessment, Utah Department of Health.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass H.B. 77 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.



Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to place H.B. 77 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers

4 . H.B. 165 Dandy-walker Syndrome Awareness Day (Coleman, K.)

Rep. Coleman presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass H.B. 165 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to place H.B. 165 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. E. Vickers

5 . 5 Report by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Region 8 Director Dr. Brian E. Shiozawa, M.D., on Secretary Alex M. Azar II's priorities, with Q&A by the committee.

Dr. Shiozawa reviewed four of Secretary Azar's goals: 1) increase affordability of health insurance; 2) promote value-based health care; 3) fight opioid and substance abuse; and 4) decrease the high price of prescription drugs.

Possible solutions - transparency

6 . H.C.R. 4 Concurrent Resolution Supporting Utah's Every Kid Outdoors Initiative (Arent, P.)

Rep. Arent presented the bill with the assistance of Mr. Tom Adams, Director, Office of Outdoor Recreation.

Ms. Heba Geiang , student, Youth Works in the Park, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Alex Porpora, Director, Utah Society for Environmental Education, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Chris Haller, Program Coordinator, Division of Parks and Recreation, spoke in favor of the bill.



Ms. Nikki Lake, Get Healthy Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass H.C.R. 4 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to place H.C.R. 4 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

7 . H.C.R. 8 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing the Work of the Stop the Bleed Initiative and Campaign (Spendlove, R.)

Rep. Spendlove explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass H.C.R. 8 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. S. Sandall
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. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

Chair Winterton adjourned the meeting at 5:08 p.m.