



# MINUTES

## HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 | 3:40 p.m. | 445 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Rep. Keven J. Stratton, Chair  
Rep. Logan Wilde, Vice Chair  
Rep. Carl R. Albrecht  
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe  
Rep. Scott H. Chew  
Rep. Susan Duckworth  
Rep. Joel Ferry  
Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes

Rep. Phil Lyman  
Rep. Michael K. McKell  
Rep. Derrin R. Owens  
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers  
Rep. Christine F. Watkins

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Linda Service, Session Secretary  
Mr. J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst

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).

Chair Wilde called the meeting to order at 3:48 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Briscoe moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2019 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-8

Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. J. Ferry  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. C. Watkins

**1 . S.B. 24 State Energy Policy Amendments (Grover, K.)**

Rep. Stratton introduced the bill.

Mr. George Chapman, citizen, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to pass S.B. 24 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. J. Ferry  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. C. Watkins  
Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. D. Sagers

**2 . H.B. 265 Wildlife Management Area Amendments (Snider, C.)**

Rep. Snider introduced the bill.

Mr. Jack Ray, President, Utah Waterfowl Association, spoke for the bill.

Mr. R. Jeffrey Hicks, Secretary Treasurer, Utah Airboat Association, spoke for the bill.

Mr. Troy Justensen, President, Sportsman for Fish and Wildlife, spoke for the bill.

Mr. Mike Fowlks, Director, Division of Wildlife Resources, spoke for the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to amend H.B. 265 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Amendment 1  
H.B. 265

1. Page 4, Lines 103 through 104:

103 (ii) preserving and enhancing the natural function, vegetation, and water flows ~~{-required-}~~ under existing or  
acquired water rights

104 to provide productive habitat for the species listed in Subsection (2)(d)(i);

2. Page 4, Lines 112 through 114:

112 (f) Notwithstanding the purposes identified in Subsection (2)(d), the division may

113 ~~{-restrict public access or recreational opportunity in selected areas or for periods of time-}~~ not prohibit year-  
round public airboat and small watercraft access in the management area except in selected areas during limited  
periods of time to

114 protect habitat, nesting birds, or vulnerable wildlife.

Yeas-13

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. C. Albrecht

Rep. J. Briscoe

Rep. S. Chew

Rep. S. Duckworth

Rep. J. Ferry

Rep. T. Hawkes

Rep. P. Lyman

Rep. M. McKell

Rep. D. Owens

Rep. D. Sagers

Rep. K. Stratton

Rep. C. Watkins

Rep. L. Wilde

**MOTION:** Rep. Owens moved to pass H.B. 265 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-13

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. J. Ferry  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. C. Watkins  
Rep. L. Wilde

**3 . H.B. 246 Hunting and Fishing License Amendments (*Lisonbee, K.*)**

Rep. Lisonbee introduced the bill assisted by Mr. Fowlks.

**MOTION:** Rep. Briscoe moved to pass H.B. 246 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-13

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. J. Ferry  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. C. Watkins  
Rep. L. Wilde

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to place H.B. 246 on the Consent Calendar.

Rep. Stratton assumed the chair.

Rep. McKell withdrew his motion.

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to place H.B. 246 on the Consent Calendar.

Rep. McKell withdrew his motion.

**4 . H.B. 67 Greenbelt Amendments (*Wilde, L.*)**

Rep. Wilde introduced the bill.

Mr. Robbie Bennett, Box Elder County Assessor, Assessors Association, spoke for the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Sagers moved to amend H.B. 67 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Amendment 1  
H.B. 67

1. Page 1, Lines 14 through 15:  
14   ▶ amends provisions related to ~~{-proving}~~ implementation of a bona fide range  
15 improvement program ; and
2. Page 2, Lines 44 through 47:  
44   (ii) the timing for implementation and termination of the bona fide range improvement  
45 program, ~~{ together with }~~ which may not exceed:  
(A) two years; or  
(B) if the bona fide range improvement program is, at least in part, for the combined benefit of habitat  
improvement for a listed or proposed endangered species, five years;  
(iii) a description of the proposed activity on the land when the land is  
46 returned to agricultural use; and  
47 ~~{(iii)}~~ (iv) the address, parcel number, or other information that identifies the land.

Yeas-13

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. J. Ferry  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. C. Watkins  
Rep. L. Wilde

**MOTION:** Rep. Hawkes moved to pass H.B. 67 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 1 - 0.

Yeas-12

Nays-1

Absent-0

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. J. Ferry  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. C. Watkins  
Rep. L. Wilde

Rep. K. Stratton

**5 . 1st Sub. H.B. 78 Federal Designations (Albrecht, C.)**

Rep. Albrecht reintroduced the bill.

Ms. Carolyn Phippen, Sen. Lee's Office, spoke to the bill.

Mr. Spencer Gilbert, Blue Ribbon Coalition and Share Trails Alliance, spoke for the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Owens moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 78 out favorably.



**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Rep. McKell placed a substitute motion to adjourn. The substitute motion failed with a vote of 4 - 9 - 0.

Yeas-4

- Rep. J. Briscoe
- Rep. S. Duckworth
- Rep. T. Hawkes
- Rep. M. McKell

Nays-9

- Rep. C. Albrecht
- Rep. S. Chew
- Rep. J. Ferry
- Rep. P. Lyman
- Rep. D. Owens
- Rep. D. Sagers
- Rep. K. Stratton
- Rep. C. Watkins
- Rep. L. Wilde

Absent-0

**MOTION:** Rep. Owens' original motion to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 78 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 6 - 0.

Yeas-7

- Rep. C. Albrecht
- Rep. P. Lyman
- Rep. D. Owens
- Rep. D. Sagers
- Rep. K. Stratton
- Rep. C. Watkins
- Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-6

- Rep. J. Briscoe
- Rep. S. Chew
- Rep. S. Duckworth
- Rep. J. Ferry
- Rep. T. Hawkes
- Rep. M. McKell

Absent-0

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to adjourn. Rep. Stratton adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-13

- Rep. C. Albrecht
- Rep. J. Briscoe
- Rep. S. Chew
- Rep. S. Duckworth
- Rep. J. Ferry
- Rep. T. Hawkes
- Rep. P. Lyman
- Rep. M. McKell
- Rep. D. Owens
- Rep. D. Sagers
- Rep. K. Stratton
- Rep. C. Watkins
- Rep. L. Wilde

Nays-0

Absent-0