



AGENDA

PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY INTERIM COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 16, 2019 | 8:30 a.m. | Room 25 House Building

1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the Sept. 18, 2019, meeting

2. Draft Legislation: FL0304, Sales and Use Tax Modifications

The committee will consider draft legislation that was opened as a committee bill file during the May 15 meeting. The draft legislation enacts a sales and use tax exemption for the purchase or lease of certain types of machinery, equipment, and materials by an oil and gas extraction establishment or a pipeline transportation establishment, expands the sales and use tax exemption to certain purchases by an electric generation and transmission facility, and enacts a sales and use tax exemption for charges for certain activities pertaining to facilities owned by an electrical corporation.

- Sen. Ronald Winterton
- Committee discussion/questions
- Public Comment
- Potential committee action

3. Draft Legislation: FL0545, Public Service Commission Hearing Amendments

The committee will consider draft legislation that was converted to a committee bill file in September. The draft legislation amends the 20-day rehearing process deadline to 30 days pursuant to Utah Code Section 54-7-15(2), allowing the Public Service Commission (PSC) and stakeholders more time to deliberate when there is an appeal to a PSC decision.

- Rep. Kay Christofferson
- Committee discussion/questions
- Public comment
- Potential committee action

4. Draft Legislation: FL0299, Energy Production Financing Amendments

The committee will hear an overview of the draft legislation from the sponsor, which provides a mechanism for energy production facilities to have access to secure means of financing while transitioning from current sources of energy to future sources, while ensuring that customers have continuous access to reliable electricity.

- Sen. Jake Anderegg
- Committee discussion/questions
- Public comment

5. Energy Producer States' Agreement Report

Pursuant to Utah Code Subsection 36-12-20(3), the committee will hear a report from an appointed member of the Energy Producer States' Coalition on the Energy Producer States' Agreement activities throughout the past year.

- Rep. Stephen G. Handy



- Committee discussion/questions

6. Public Program Funding Through Utility Rates

A state regulator representing public utilities consumers will discuss utility rates being used to fund programs that aren't related to the standard provision of utility service with the committee.

- Michele Beck, Director, Office of Consumer Services, Utah Department of Commerce
- Committee discussion/questions
- Public comment

7. Utah's Hydrogen Market

The committee will hear an update on Utah's hydrogen energy market, including the potential for coal-fired power plants to engage in hydrogen production through coal gasification technology.

- Karl Rudisill, CEO and Founder, Element One Technologies, Inc.
- Committee discussion/questions

8. 5G Internet Technology

The committee will study Utah's progress in upgrading the state's wireline network to fifth-generation cellular wireless (5G), including the collaborative Platform for Open Wireless Data-driven Experimental Research (POWDER) project between the University of Utah, Rice University, the Utah Education and Telehealth Network, and Salt Lake City. A representative from the Utah Department of Transportation will also provide the committee with an update on the status of small wireless facilities deployment in the state since the enactment of [2018 S.B. 189, Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act](#).

- Kobus van der Merwe, Principal Investigator and Director, POWDER, University of Utah
- Rob Wight, Operations Engineer, Utah Department of Transportation
- Committee discussion/questions
- Public comment

9. Other Items/Adjourn