



# MINUTES

## HOUSE JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 | 2:00 p.m. | 20 House Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. Karianne Lisonbee, Chair  
Rep. Craig Hall, Vice Chair  
Rep. Cheryl K. Acton  
Rep. Brady Brammer  
Rep. Jon Hawkins  
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings  
Rep. Brian S. King

Rep. Stephanie Pitcher  
Rep. Travis M. Seegmiller  
Rep. V. Lowry Snow  
Rep. Steve Waldrip  
Rep. Mark A. Wheatley

**Staff Present:**

Joseph T. Wade, Policy Analyst  
Christopher Vizcardo, Committee Secretary

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).

Vice-Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Lisonbee moved to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2019, and January 30, 2020, meetings. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 6.

Yeas-6

Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. C. Hall  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. K. Lisonbee  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-0

Absent-6

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. King  
Rep. T. Seegmiller  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**1 . H.B. 189 Jury Duty Amendments (Quinn, T.)**

Rep. Quinn explained the bill.

Mark Moffat, criminal defense lawyer, spoke against the bill.

Will Carlson, Salt Lake County District Attorney Office, spoke to the bill.

Blaine Jordan, resident, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Lisonbee moved to favorably recommend H.B. 189. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 4 - 2.

Yeas-6

Rep. C. Hall  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. K. Lisonbee  
Rep. T. Seegmiller  
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-4

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. B. King  
Rep. S. Pitcher

Absent-2

Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Rep. Lisonbee assumed the chair.

**2 . H.B. 102 Retaliation and Obstruction of Justice Amendments (Hall, C.)**

Rep. Hall explained the bill with the support of Craig Peterson, Office of the Attorney General.

Rep. Snow assumed the chair.

Will Carlson, Salt Lake County District Attorney Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mark Moffat, criminal defense lawyer, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jeff Buhman, Statewide Association of Prosecutors, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Hutchings moved to replace H.B. 102 with 1st Substitute H.B. 102. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-10

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. C. Hall  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. King  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. T. Seegmiller  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. K. Lisonbee  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Rep. Hutchings moved to favorably recommend 1st Substitute H.B. 102. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-10

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. C. Hall  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. King  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. T. Seegmiller  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. K. Lisonbee  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Rep. Hall assumed the chair.

**3 . H.B. 196 Domestic Relations Debt (Brammer, B.)**

Rep. Brammer explained the bill.

Stewart Ralphs, Salt Lake Legal Aid Society, spoke to the bill.

Jody Robinson, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Hawkins moved to amend H.B. 196 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 0.

Amendment 1  
H.B. 196

1. Page 2, Lines 52 through 53:  
52 (4) An obligation to pay a collection fee imposed under this section is in addition to

53 any obligation to pay reasonable attorney fees that may exist.

(5) The Office of Recovery Services may not collect an order issued pursuant to Subsection (2).

Yeas-12

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. C. Hall  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. King  
Rep. K. Lisonbee  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. T. Seegmiller  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Rep. King moved to favorably recommend H.B. 196, as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-12

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. C. Hall  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. King  
Rep. K. Lisonbee  
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Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**4 . S.B. 18 Divorce Amendments (Hillyard, L.)**

Sen. Hillyard explained the bill.

Stewart Ralphs, Salt Lake Legal Aid Society, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Snow moved to favorably recommend S.B. 18. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-12

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. B. Brammer  
Rep. C. Hall  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. King  
Rep. K. Lisonbee  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. T. Seegmiller  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**5 . S.B. 27 Attorney General Reporting Requirements (Weiler, T.)**

Sen. Weiler explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Waldrip moved to replace S.B. 27 with 1st Substitute S.B. 27. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 0.

<u>Yeas-12</u>	<u>Nays-0</u>	<u>Absent-0</u>
Rep. C. Acton		
Rep. B. Brammer		
Rep. C. Hall		
Rep. J. Hawkins		
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Rep. S. Pitcher		
Rep. T. Seegmiller		
Rep. V. Snow		
Rep. S. Waldrip		
Rep. M. Wheatley		

**MOTION:** Rep. Waldrip moved to favorably recommend 1st Substitute S.B. 27. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 0.

<u>Yeas-12</u>	<u>Nays-0</u>	<u>Absent-0</u>
Rep. C. Acton		
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Rep. S. Waldrip		
Rep. M. Wheatley		

**MOTION:** Rep. Hawkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 0.

<u>Yeas-12</u>	<u>Nays-0</u>	<u>Absent-0</u>
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Vice-Chair Hall adjourned the meeting at 3:52 p.m.