



MINUTES

HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, February 5, 2020 | 2:00 p.m. | 210 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Brad M. Daw, Chair
Rep. Kelly B. Miles, Vice Chair
Rep. Stewart E. Barlow
Rep. Jennifer Dailey-Provost
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Sandra Hollins
Rep. Marsha Judkins
Rep. Candice B. Pierucci

Rep. Paul Ray
Rep. Rex P. Shipp
Rep. Robert M. Spendlove
Rep. Norman K. Thurston
Rep. Raymond P. Ward

Staff Present:

Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst
Brodi Ashton, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Daw called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

1. H.B. 55 Substance Use Treatment and Assessment Decisions Amendments (*Shurtliff, L.*)

[Information on HB 55](#)

[Substance Use Treatments and Assessments](#)

Rep. Lawanna Shurtliff presented the bill with the assistance of Julianne Mata, Advanced Substance Use Disorder Counselor.

Julianne Mata spoke to Provo's efforts to do something similar.

Karena Jackson, Director, Judicial Supervision Services, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Hollins moved to pass H.B. 55 out favorably.

Julianne Mata provided additional clarification about the assessments.

Karena Jackson spoke about first time offenders.

Kathy Armijo, Treatment Provider, No Excuse for Abuse, spoke to the bill.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to hold the bill. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-13

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. B. Daw
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Hollins
Rep. M. Judkins
Rep. K. Miles
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. P. Ray
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. R. Ward

2 . H.B. 97 Newborn Safe Haven Amendments (Arent, P.)

[Editorial on A Safe Haven](#)

[Revised Fiscal Note](#)

Rep. Patrice Arent presented the bill.

Sam Peterson, adopted through Safe Haven law, spoke in favor of the bill.

Diane Moore, Director, Division of Child and Family Services, spoke to the bill and costs.

David Gessel, Utah Hospital Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mary Taylor, President, Pro-Life Utah, spoke in favor of the bill

Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to replace H.B. 97 with 1st Substitute H.B. 97. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-13

Nays-0

Absent-0

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MOTION: Rep. Judkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 97 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 0.

Yeas-13

Nays-0

Absent-0

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3 . H.B. 195 Identifying Wasteful Health Care Spending (*Harrison, S.*)

Rep. Suzanne Harrison presented the bill with the assistance of Norm Thurston, National Association of Health Data Organizations.

Maryann Martindale, Director, Utah Academy of Family Physicians, spoke in favor of the bill. Maryann Martindale also spoke in favor of H.C.R. 7, Concurrent Resolution Encouraging Congressional Action on Medicare Drug Prices, and H.J.R 6, Joint Resolution on the Benefits of Therapy Animals.

Danny Harris director, Director, AARP Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Courtney Bullard , Utah Health Policy Project, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kelly Atkinson, Director, Utah Health Insurance Association, spoke in favor of the bill

Stephanie Burdick, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

Carrie Butler, Policy Director, Action Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to replace H.B. 195 with 1st Substitute H.B. 195. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-12

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Barlow
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MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 195 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
1st Sub. H.B. 195

- 1. Page 1, Lines 12 through 15:
- 12 This bill:

13 ▸ requires the Department of Health to contract with an organization ~~{in order}~~ for an analysis to
 14 identify potential overuse of non-evidence-based health care; ~~{and}~~

▸ requires the Health Data Committee to:

- review the results from the analysis;
- review scientific literature and solicit input on duplication in health care; and
- solicit input on instances of non-alignment in health care metrics; and

15 ▸ requires the Department of Health to annually report on the ~~{results of the analysis}~~ findings of the Health Data Committee.

2. Page 2, Lines 39 through 54:

39 (3) The department, or a third party organization that the department contracts with in
 40 accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code, shall:

- 41 (a) analyze the data described in Subsection (2)(b);
- 42 (b) review current scientific literature about medical services that are best practice;
- 43 (c) review current scientific literature about eliminating duplication in health care;

(d) solicit input from Utah health care providers, health systems, insurers, and other stakeholders regarding duplicative health care quality initiatives and instances of non-alignment in metrics used to measure health care quality that are required by different health systems;

44 ~~{(d)}~~ (e) solicit input from Utah health care providers, health systems, insurers, and other
 45 stakeholders on methods to avoid overuse of non-evidence-based health care; and

46 ~~{(e)}~~ (f) present the results of the analysis, research, and input described in Subsections
 47 (3)(a) through ~~{(d)}~~ (e) to the committee.

48 (4) The committee shall:

- 49 (a) make recommendations for action and opportunities for improvement based on the
 50 results described in Subsection (3)~~{(e); and}~~ (f);

(b) make recommendations on methods to bring into alignment the various health care quality metrics different entities in the state use; and

51 ~~{(b)}~~ (c) identify priority issues and recommendations to include in an annual report.

52 (5) The department, or the third party organization described in Subsection (3) shall:

- 53 (a) compile the report described in Subsection (4)~~{(b)}~~ (c); and
- 54 (b) submit the report to the committee for approval.

Yeas-12

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Nays-0

Absent-1

- Rep. K. Miles

MOTION:

Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 195 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 1.

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Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. K. Miles

4 . H.J.R. 6 Joint Resolution on the Benefits of Therapy Animals (*Judkins, M.*)

[Therapy Animals Handout](#)

Rep. Judkins presented the bill with the assistance of Deborah Carr, Director, Utah Pet Partners.

Deborah Car spoke in favor of the bill and clarified the definition of a therapy animal.

Sundays Hunt, Director, Humane Society of Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to pass H.J.R. 6 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-12

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Rep. R. Ward

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. K. Miles

MOTION: Rep. Spendlove moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 1.

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Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. K. Miles

Chair Daw adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

