



UTAH STATE

LEGISLATURE

MINUTES

HOUSE PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 20, 2020 | 8:00 a.m. | 450 State Capitol

Members Present:

Rep. Carl R. Albrecht, Chair
Rep. Walt Brooks, Vice Chair
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Scott H. Chew
Rep. Steve R. Christiansen
Rep. Kay J. Christofferson
Rep. Joel Ferry

Rep. Stephen G. Handy
Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. Jeffrey D. Stenquist
Rep. Keven J. Stratton
Rep. Elizabeth Weight

Staff Present:

Sarah J. Balland, Policy Analyst
An Bradshaw, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Brooks called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Handy moved to approve the minutes of February 3, 2020. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-8

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. P. Arent
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. J. Ferry
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. J. Stenquist

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. S. Chew
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. E. Weight

1 . H.R. 3 House Resolution Urging the Activation of Closed Captioning in Public Venues (Johnson, D.N.)

Rep. Dan Johnson presented the resolution.

Jared Allebest, attorney, spoke for the resolution.

Joene Nicolaisen, member of the hard of hearing and deaf community, spoke for the resolution.

Nellie Sausedo, member of the hard of hearing and deaf community and President of Senior Citizens of Utah, spoke for the resolution.

Stephen Persinger, Treasurer, Utah Association of the Deaf, spoke for the resolution.

MOTION: Rep. Albrecht moved to pass H.R. 3 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-8

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. J. Ferry
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. J. Stenquist

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. E. Weight

Chair Brooks announced that H.B. 317 would be heard next on the agenda, and H.B. 309 would be heard after H.B. 317.

2 . H.B. 317 Nonroad Engine Study (*Handy, S.*)

Rep. Handy presented 1st Substitute H.B. 317 with the assistance of Glade Sowards, Environmental Scientist and Policy Analyst, Division of Air Quality, Utah Department of Environmental Quality.

Garrick Hall, Central Regional Manager, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke against the bill.

Brian Somers, President, Utah Mining Association, spoke for the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to replace H.B. 317 with 1st Substitute H.B. 317. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-9

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. J. Ferry
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. E. Weight

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. K. Stratton

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 317 out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Weight moved to hold 1st Substitute H.B. 317. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-9

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. J. Ferry
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. E. Weight

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. K. Stratton

3 . H.B. 309 World War II Memorial Commission (*Dailey-Provost, J.*)

Upon the sponsor's designation and with the approval of the Chair, Rep. Romero presented the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Christofferson moved to pass H.B. 309 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-8

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. J. Ferry
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. E. Weight

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. K. Stratton

Rep. Christofferson presented Report and Review: Public Utilities Regulatory Agencies Budget Study.

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. P. Arent
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. J. Ferry
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. E. Weight

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. S. Handy
Rep. J. Stenquist

Chair Brooks adjourned the meeting at 9:28 a.m.