



# MINUTES

## HOUSE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

### STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, February 24, 2020 | 4:00 p.m. | 450 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Rep. Lee B. Perry, Chair  
Rep. Kim F. Coleman, Vice Chair  
Rep. Sandra Hollins  
Rep. Kelly B. Miles  
Rep. Val K. Potter  
Rep. Paul Ray  
Rep. Angela Romero

Rep. Mike Schultz  
Rep. Casey Snider  
Rep. Andrew Stoddard  
Rep. Mark A. Strong

**Staff Present:**

John Feinauer, 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](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Perry called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ray moved to approve the minutes of February 21, 2020. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-6

Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. V. Potter  
Rep. P. Ray  
Rep. A. Romero  
Rep. C. Snider

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. K. Miles  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. A. Stoddard  
Rep. M. Strong

**1 . 1st Sub. S.B. 102 Bigamy Amendments (Henderson, D.)**

[SB102](#)

[SB102 supporters](#)

Sen. Deidre Henderson presented the bill with the assistance of: Rep. Lowry Snow; Shirlee Draper, Director of Operations, Cherish Families; Jeff Bauman, Executive Director, Statewide Association of Prosecutors; and Gary Scheller, Director, Office of Victims of Crime.

Douglas White, attorney, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ryan Engar, Goodwill Family Counseling, spoke in support of the bill.

Kate De Groote, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Donia Jessop, Mayor, Hilldale, spoke in support of the bill.

Melissa Ellis, Vice President, Sound Choices Coalition, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Loretta Barlow, Voices for Dignity, spoke in support of the bill.

Tammy Watson, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Alina Darger, Executive Director, Cherish Families, spoke in support of the bill.

Ian Jeffs, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jenn Oxborrow, Executive Director, Utah Domestic Violence Coalition, spoke in support of the bill.

Michael De Groote, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Christine Marie Katas, Executive Director, Voices for Dignity, spoke in support of the bill.

Jessica Christensen, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Cristina Rosetti, PhD, spoke in support of the bill.

Tonia Tewell, Holding Out HELP, spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Miles moved to amend 1st Substitute S.B. 102 with Amendment #1.  
Amendment 1  
1st Sub. S.B. 102

1. Page 3, Lines 57 through 61:

57 (4) An individual is guilty of a second degree felony if the individual:

58 (a) cohabitates with another individual with whom the individual is engaged in bigamy  
59 as described in Subsection (1); and

60 (b) in furtherance of the conduct described in Subsection (4)(a), commits a felony

61 offense, **or for Subsection (4)(b)(vii), a misdemeanor offense.** in violation of one or more of the following:

The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-8

Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Miles  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. V. Potter  
Rep. P. Ray  
Rep. A. Romero  
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. A. Stoddard

**MOTION:** Rep. Ray moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 102 out favorably as amended.

Rep. Ray's motion to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 102 out favorably as amended passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-9

Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Miles  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. V. Potter  
Rep. P. Ray  
Rep. A. Romero  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. A. Stoddard

**2 . H.B. 109 Universal Background Checks for Firearm Purchasers (King, B. S.)**

Rep. King presented the bill.

Rep. Coleman assumed the chair.

Ed Rutan, Gun Violence Prevention Center, spoke in support of the bill.

Rep. Perry resumed the chair.

[Bosnia and HB109](#)

Richard Martin, retired Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army, spoke in opposition to the bill and provided a handout entitled "Bosnia and HB 109."

Neca Allgood, Moms Demand Action, spoke in support of the bill.

Brian Judy, State Director, National Rifle Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jenn Oxborrow, Executive Director, Utah Domestic Violence Coalition, spoke in support of the bill.

Clark Aposhian, Chair, Utah Shooting Sports Council, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Katie Kern, resident, spoke in support of the bill.

Preston Maurer, Utah Gun Exchange, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jeanine Kuhn-Coker, League of Women Voters, spoke in support of the bill.

Leonard Wojcik, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Stoddard moved to pass H.B. 109 out favorably.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ray moved to table H.B. 109.

Rep. Ray's substitute motion to table H.B. 109 passed with a vote of 8 - 3 - 0.

Yeas-8

Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. K. Miles  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. V. Potter  
Rep. P. Ray  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-3

Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. A. Romero  
Rep. A. Stoddard

Absent-0

**MOTION:** Rep. Potter moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 0.



Yeas-11

Nays-0

Absent-0

Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Miles  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. V. Potter  
Rep. P. Ray  
Rep. A. Romero  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. A. Stoddard  
Rep. M. Strong

Chair Perry adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m