Minutes
House Transportation Standing Committee
Monday, February 24, 2020 | 4:00 p.m. | 30 House Building

Members Present:
Rep. Kay J. Christofferson, Chair
Rep. Kyle R. Andersen, Vice Chair
Rep. Steve R. Christiansen
Rep. Suzanne Harrison
Rep. Dan N. Johnson
Rep. Marsha Judkins
Rep. Karen Kwan
Rep. Merrill F. Nelson

Rep. Adam Robertson
Rep. Lawanna Shurtliff

Members Absent:
Rep. Melissa G. Ballard
Rep. Raymond P. Ward

Staff Present:
Art L. Hunsaker, Policy Analyst
Steve Benard, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Andersen assumed the chair.

Chair Andersen called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm.

MOTION: Rep. Judkins moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-7
Nays-0
Absent-5

Rep. K. Andersen
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. M. Judkins
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. L. Shurtliff
Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. R. Ward

1. S.B. 97 Personal License Plate Amendments (Escamilla (Robles), L.)

Sen. Luz Escamilla explained the bill with the assistance of Scott Smith, Executive Director of the Utah Tax Commission.


Amendment 3

S.B. 97

1. Page 1, Lines 13 through 16:
13   allows the Motor Vehicle Division to refuse to issue a license plate if the Motor
14   Vehicle Division determines that the combination of letters and numbers disparages
15   (an individual or) a group of people based on certain protected classes; and
16   prohibits the Motor Vehicle Division from denying a personalized license plate
MOTION: Rep. Shurtleff moved to pass S.B. 97 out favorably as amended. No vote was held.


Amendment 4
S.B. 97

1. Page 2, Lines 37 through 43a:
37 (ii) Ŝ→ [[disparage]] disparages ← Ŝa Ŝdisparages ← Ŝa Ŝgroup based on:
38 (A) race;
39 (B) color;
40 (C) national origin;
41 (D) religion;
42 (E) age;
43 (F) (gender) sex;
43a Ŝ→ Ŝa Ŝgender identity; Ŝ→ Ŝ


Yeas-10
Rep. K. Andersen
Rep. S. Christiansen
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. M. Judkins
Rep. K. Kwan
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. L. Shurtliff

Nays-0

Absent-2
Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. R. Ward

Chair Andersen adjourned the meeting at 4:40 pm.