



MINUTES

SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, March 2, 2020 | 4:00 p.m. | 220 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Ralph Okerlund, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. Keith Grover
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Derek L. Kitchen
Sen. Scott D. Sandall

Members Absent:

Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson
Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Staff Present:

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
Paula Morgan, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Okerlund called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to approve the minutes for February 27, 2020. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

1 . 1st Sub. H.B. 322 Utahraptor State Park (Eliason, S.)

Rep. Eliason explained the bill.

Rep. Eliason provided a handout "Entitled Utahraptor State Park".

[Utahraptor State Park](#)

[Utahraptor State Park Funding](#)

Jeff Rasmussen, Director, Utah State Parks, spoke to the bill.

David Ure, Director, School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 322 out favorably. The motion failed with a vote of 3 - 3 - 3.

Yeas-3

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto

Nays-3

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Absent-3

Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

2 . H.B. 294 Mining Operations Amendments (Brooks, W.)

Rep. Brooks explained the bill.

Steve Erickson, Utah Sierra Club, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Dave Kallas, Director, SunRoc Corporation, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.B. 294 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-6

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

3 . 1st Sub. H.B. 248 Agriculture Revisions (Wilde, L.)

Rep. Wilde explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to replace 1st Substitute H.B. 248 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 248. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

Garrick Hall, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kelly Pehrson, Acting Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture , spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 248 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

4 . H.B. 296 Limitations on Landowner Liability Amendments (Snider, C.)

Rep. Snider explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass H.B. 296 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-5

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

5 . 2nd Sub. H.B. 233 Natural Resources Legacy Funding Amendments (Snider, C.)

Rep. Snider explained the bill.

Noah Miterko, Policy Associate, Healthy Environment Alliance Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 233 out favorably. The motion failed with a vote of 2 - 3 - 4.

Yeas-2

Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-3

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. D. Kitchen

Absent-4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

6 . 2nd Sub. H.B. 255 Boat Fees Amendments (Waldrip, S.)

Rep. Waldrip explained the bill.

Riley Peck, Division of Wildlife Resources, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 255 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-4

Sen. A. Christensen
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. R. Okerlund
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. J. Stevenson
Sen. E. Vickers

Chair Okerlund adjourned the meeting at 5:32 PM.