



MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WORKFORCE SERVICES

INTERIM COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, June 15, 2020 | 8:30 a.m. | 450 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel McCay, Chair
Rep. Mike Winder, Chair
Sen. Jacob L. Anderegg
Sen. Derek L. Kitchen
Sen. Ann Millner
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. Francis D. Gibson
Rep. Stephen G. Handy
Rep. Suzanne Harrison
Rep. A. Cory Maloy

Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Derrin R. Owens
Rep. Candice B. Pierucci
Rep. Susan Pulsipher
Rep. Marc K. Roberts

Members Absent:

Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson

Staff Present:

Julie Humberstone, Policy Analyst
Peter Asplund, Associate General Counsel
Leila Reynolds, Administrative Assistant

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

Chair McCay called the meeting to order at 8:47 a.m.

1 . Committee Business

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2019, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-15

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. S. Harrison
Sen. D. Kitchen
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

[1 - 2020 OPMA Training \(OLRGC\)](#)

Julie Humberstone, Policy Analyst, OLRGC, gave an overview on the Open and Public Meetings Act and the changes made relevant to the COVID-19 pandemic.

2 . Committee Study Items

[2 - 2020 EDWS Interim Committee Study Item List \(OLRGC\)](#)

Chair McCay spoke on the assigned interim study item list and explained the changes to the powers committee chairs have to open bills files on behalf of the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to allow the committee chairs to open committee bill files on behalf of the committee according to restrictions in rule. The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-15

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Rep. C. Moss
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Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

3 . Unemployment Insurance Program

[3D - Draft Legislation - Unemployment Insurance Rates Amendments \(2020S50022_004\)](#)

Rep. Karianne Lisonbee spoke on the draft legislation.

The committee asked questions regarding the draft legislation.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to favorably recommend the draft legislation to legislative leadership. The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-15

Sen. J. Anderegg
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Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
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Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

[3A - Unemployment Insurance Overview \(OLRGC\)](#)

Peter Asplund, Associate General Counsel, OLRGC, gave an overview on unemployment insurance.

Rep. Winder assumed the Chair.

Kevin Burt, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division, Department of Workforce Services, made a clarification on unemployment insurance rates.

4 . Rental Assistance

[4B - Draft Legislation - Rent and Mortgage Assistance Amendments \(2020S50003_002\)](#)

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore spoke to the draft legislation.

Sen. McCay assumed the Chair.

Rep. Mike Schultz, House sponsor of the draft legislation, made clarifying comments.

The committee asked questions on the draft legislation.

John Hardy, Director, Housing and Community Development Division, Department of Workforce Services, spoke on the matter.

Kori Ann Edwards, Managing Director of Operations, Governor's Office of Economic Development, spoke on the matter.

MOTION: Rep. Winder moved to favorably recommend the draft legislation to legislative leadership. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-14

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. S. Harrison
Sen. D. Kitchen
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

5 . Committee Study Items

[2 - 2020 EDWS Interim Committee Study Item List \(OLRGC\)](#)

Chair McCay spoke on the assigned interim study item list.

Committee discussion.

MOTION: Sen. Millner moved to amend the interim study item list to add economic development issues, including growth, unemployment, and other economic issues, as item #12. The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-15

Sen. J. Anderegg
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Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to adopt the 2020 EDWS Interim Committee Study Item List as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-15

Sen. J. Anderegg
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Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

6 . Workforce Solutions for Improved Air Quality

[5A - University of Utah Air Quality Presentation](#)

Logan Mitchell, Research Assistant Professor, Department of Atmospheric Sciences, University of Utah, gave a presentation on the changes in air quality resulting from the pandemic.

The committee asked questions of the presenter.

Logan Mitchell continued with the presentation.

The committee asked questions of the presenter.

[5B - DHRM Presentation](#)

Jean Mills-Barber, Director of Field Operations, Department of Human Resources Management, gave a presentation on how the state workforce has changed due to the pandemic.

The committee asked questions of the presenter.

[5C - GOMB Telework Presentation](#)

Jeff Mottishaw, Senior Consultant, Governor's Office of Management and Budget, gave a presentation.

Chair McCay asked a question of the presenter.

MOTION: Rep. Winder moved to open a committee bill file to look at workforce solutions for improved air quality. The motion passed with a vote of 16 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-16

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Dunnigan
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Rep. S. Handy
Rep. S. Harrison
Sen. D. Kitchen
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. D. Owens
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Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Stevenson

7 . Governor's Emergency Powers

[6 - Draft Legislation - Joint Resolution Further Extending the State of Emergency due to the Infectious Disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus \(2020S50025_003\)](#)

Rep. Val Peterson presented on the draft legislation.

The committee asked questions of the representative.

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to amend the resolution on lines 18, 22, 42, and 47 by changing the date to July 31, 2020, from August 31, 2020, extending the emergency declaration only 30 days rather than 60 days. Committee discussion followed. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 3 - 1.

Yeas-13

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Harrison
Sen. D. Kitchen
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. D. Owens

Absent-1

Sen. J. Stevenson

MOTION: Rep. Dunnigan moved to favorably recommend the draft legislation as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 5 - 1.

Yeas-11

Rep. P. Arent
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. S. Harrison
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-5

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. A. Maloy
Sen. D. McCay
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. M. Roberts

Absent-1

Sen. J. Stevenson

8 . Redevelopment Agencies

Rep. Winder introduced the issue.

Nick Duerksen, Economic Development/Redevelopment Director, Sandy City, presented on the matter.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to open a bill file on behalf of the committee to respond to RDA issues arising from the pandemic. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 1 - 2.

Yeas-14

Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. P. Arent
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Rep. S. Handy
Rep. S. Harrison
Sen. D. Kitchen
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Sen. D. McCay
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-1

Rep. M. Roberts

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

9 . Governor's Emergency Powers

Chair McCay received confirmation that a motion passes when the vote ties in one house and passes in the other, and so the motion to favorably recommend the draft legislation as amended passed.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 2.



Yeas-15

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Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

The committee adjourned at 11:47 a.m.