



DRAFT MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WORKFORCE SERVICES

INTERIM COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 | 8:30 a.m. | 210 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel McCay, Chair
Rep. Mike Winder, Chair
Sen. Jacob L. Anderegg
Sen. Derek L. Kitchen
Sen. Ann Millner
Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
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:

Rep. Francis D. Gibson

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 8:36 a.m.

1 . Committee Business

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to approve the minutes for the August 18, 2020, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 7.

Yeas-10

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

Nays-0

Absent-7

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. F. Gibson
Rep. S. Harrison
Sen. A. Millner
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Sen. J. Stevenson

Julie Humberstone gave an overview of the new public comment process.

2 . Sunset Review: Child Care Advisory Committee

[2 - Utah Code Section 35A-3-205, Creation of Child Care Advisory Committee](#)

Tracy Gruber, Director, Office of Child Care, Department of Workforce Services, gave an overview of the committee and its purpose.

The committee asked questions of Tracy Gruber.

MOTION: Sen. Millner moved to open a committee bill file to extend the sunset date of the Child Care Advisory Committee. The motion passed with a vote of 16 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-16

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
Sen. J. Stevenson
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. F. Gibson

3 . Sunset Review: Hotel Impact Mitigation Fund

[3A - Utah Code Section 63N-2-512, Hotel Impact Mitigation Fund](#)

[3B - Hotel Mitigation Fund - Sunset Presentation - GOED](#)

Thomas Wadsworth, Associate Managing Director, Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED), presented on the Hotel Impact Mitigation Fund.

The committee asked questions of Thomas Wadsworth.

MOTION: Rep. Winder moved to open a committee bill file to extend the sunset date of the Hotel Impact Mitigation Fund to five years after the start of hotel operations. (A committee discussion followed the motion.) The motion passed with a vote of 15 - 1 - 1.

Yeas-15

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

Nays-1

Rep. A. Maloy

Absent-1

Rep. F. Gibson

4 . Audit Report: Economic Development Tax Increment Financing Program

[4 - EDTIF Program Audit Review - Tanner/GOED](#)

Kori Ann Edwards, Managing Director of Operations, GOED, gave a brief overview of the audit report.

Reed Chase, Audit Partner, Tanner LLC, presented the audit report.

Kori Ann Edwards gave a quick update on behalf of Val Hale, Executive Director, GOED, regarding the Shop In Utah program.

5 . Required Report: Abusive Conduct Report

[6 - Abusive Conduct Report 2020 \(DHRM\)](#)

Rebecca Parr, Employment Labor Relations Director, Department of Human Resource Management, gave a report on the department's efforts in addressing and reducing workplace abusive conduct.

The committee asked questions of Rebecca Parr.

The committee took a break.

6 . Sunset Review: Rural Online Initiative

[5A - Utah Code Section 53B-18-1501, Remote online opportunity pilot program](#)

[5B - Rural Online Initiative Impact Report Presentation - September 2020 - USU Extension](#)

Paul Hill, Extension Professor, Utah State University, spoke briefly and gave the time over to former state representative Mike Noel.

Former state representative Mike Noel gave an overview of the original legislation and its intent.

Paul Hill gave a presentation on the program and its efficacy.

The committee asked questions of Paul Hill and former Rep. Noel.

Ken White, Vice President and Dean, Extension, Utah State University, spoke briefly on the matter.

MOTION: Rep. Owens moved to extend the program by five years.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Arent made a substitute motion to remove the sunset date and make the program permanent. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-15

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Rep. M. Roberts
Rep. M. Winder

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. F. Gibson
Sen. J. Stevenson

Paul Hill shared the link they mentioned in their presentation.



Rep. Owens and Chair McCay made final comments.

7 . Other Items/Adjourn

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

Yeas-15

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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

The committee adjourned at 10:37 a.m.