



UTAH STATE

LEGISLATURE

# MINUTES

## HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 4, 2021 | 3:40 p.m. | 445 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Rep. Keven J. Stratton, Chair  
Rep. Casey Snider, Vice Chair  
Rep. Carl R. Albrecht  
Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion  
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe  
Rep. Scott H. Chew  
Rep. Stephen G. Handy  
Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes  
Rep. Michael L. Kohler

Rep. Phil Lyman  
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers  
Rep. Rex P. Shipp  
Rep. Christine F. Watkins

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Mike Schultz

**Staff Present:**

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst  
Linda Service, 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 Stratton called the meeting to order at 3:48 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Handy moved to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2021 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 7.

Yeas-7

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider

Nays-0

Absent-7

Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. C. Watkins

Speaker Wilson introduced the bill assisted by Gene Shawcroft, Commissioner, Upper Colorado River Commission.

**1 . H.B. 297 Colorado River Amendments (Wilson, B.)**

Zachary Frankel spoke in opposition of the bill.

Jack Lytle, Dagget County Commissioner, spoke in support of the bill.

Deeda Seed, Center for Biological Diversity, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Lisa Rutherford, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Brian Steed, Executive Director, Department of Natural Resources, spoke in support of the bill.

Trevor Nielson, Bear River Canal Company, spoke to the bill.

Lynn Carroll spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Handy moved to amend H.B. 297 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Amendment 1

H.B. 297

1. Page 49, Line 1515 through Page 50, Line 1518:

1515 (3) (a) The state treasurer shall invest money in the restricted account according to  
1516 Title 51, Chapter 7, State Money Management Act.

1517 (b) The {~~Division of Finance~~} state treasurer shall deposit interest or other earnings derived from  
1518 investment of restricted account money into the restricted account.

Yeas-12

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Schultz

**MOTION:** Rep. Sagers moved to pass H.B. 297 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 2 - 1.

Yeas-11

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. K. Stratton  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-2

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. J. Briscoe

Absent-1

Rep. M. Schultz

**2 . H.B. 107 Subdivision Plat Amendments (Ferry, J.)**

Rep Ferry introduced the bill assisted by Trevor Nielson.

Vice Chair Snider assumed the chair.

**MOTION:** Rep. Sagers moved to replace H.B. 107 with 1st Substitute H.B. 107. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-10

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. K. Stratton

**MOTION:** Rep. Shipp moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 107 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-11

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. K. Stratton

**3 . H.B. 109 Wildlife Amendments (Lyman, P.)**

Rep. Lyman introduced the bill assisted by Sheriff Danny Perkins, Garfield County.

**MOTION:** Rep. Shipp moved to pass H.B. 109 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-11

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. K. Stratton

**4 . H.B. 185 Laboratory Equipment Amendments (Lund, S.)**

Rep. Lund introduced the bill assisted by Brandon Forsyth, Laboratory Services, Department of Agriculture and Food.

**MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to pass H.B. 185 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-12

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. K. Stratton

**5 . H.B. 241 Utah Seeds Amendments (Lund, S.)**

Rep. Lund introduced the bill assisted by Robert Hougaard, Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture and Food.

**MOTION:** Rep. Watkins moved to pass H.B. 241 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-12

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. K. Stratton

**MOTION:** Rep. Sagers moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-12

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. J. Briscoe  
Rep. S. Chew  
Rep. S. Handy  
Rep. T. Hawkes  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. D. Sagers  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Rep. C. Snider  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. K. Stratton

Vice Chair Snider adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.