



# MINUTES

## HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

Friday, February 5, 2021 | 3:40 p.m. | 2110 State Office Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. A. Cory Maloy, Chair  
Rep. Norman K. Thurston, Vice Chair  
Rep. Walt Brooks  
Rep. Jennifer Dailey-Provost  
Rep. Phil Lyman  
Rep. Michael J. Petersen  
Rep. Val L. Peterson

Rep. Candice B. Pierucci  
Rep. Stephanie Pitcher  
Rep. Steve Waldrip  
Rep. Douglas R. Welton

**Staff Present:**

Lisa Sorensen, 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 Maloy called the meeting to order at 3:53 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2021 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-6

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston

**1 . H.B. 197 Voter Affiliation Amendments (Teuscher, J.)**

Rep. Teuscher introduced the bill,

Justin Lee, Director of Elections, Lt. Governor's Office, spoke to the bill.

Wayne Woodfield, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Derek Brown, Republican Party, spoke in support of the bill.

Elizabeth VanDerwerken, Mormon Women for Ethical Government, Utah Chapter, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Ricky Hatch, Weber County Clerk/Auditor, spoke to the bill.

George Chapman, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Olivia Dawn, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in support of the bill.

Josh Daniels, Utah County Clerk, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Pierucci moved to replace H.B. 197 with 2nd Substitute. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

**MOTION:** Rep. Pierucci moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 197 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 3 - 1.

Yeas-7

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-3

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

**2 . H.B. 75 Municipal Alternative Voting Methods Pilot Project Amendments (*Stenquist, J.*)**

Rep. Stenquist introduced the bill assisted by Josh Daniels.

Stan Lockhart, Director, Utah Rank Choice Voting, spoke in support of the bill.

Rebecca Chavez-Houck, former representative, spoke in support of the bill.

Ricky Hatch, Weber County Clerk/Auditor, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Wayne Woodfield, spoke in support of the bill.

Cory Holdaway, Utah Rank Choice Voting, spoke in support of the bill.

Marc Roberts, former representative, spoke in support of the bill.

Brad Daw, former representative, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to replace H.B. 75 with 1st Substitute H.B. 75. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

**MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 75 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

**3 . H.B. 114 Emergency Executive Powers Amendments (Stoddard, A.)**

Rep. Stoddard introduced the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to pass H.B. 114 out favorably. Rep. Lyman withdrew his motion.

**MOTION:** Rep. Thurston moved to amend H.B. 114 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Amendment 1  
H.B. 114

1. Page 1, Lines 11 through 13:

11 This bill:

12     ▸ ~~{-reduces-}~~ amends the amount the governor may spend for an emergency procurement during  
13 an epidemic or pandemic before notice has to be provided to the Legislature;

2. Page 2, Lines 50 through 56:

50 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a procurement official may  
51 authorize a procurement unit to engage in an emergency procurement without using a standard  
52 procurement process if the procurement is necessary to:

53 (a) avoid a lapse in a critical government service;

54 (b) mitigate a circumstance that is likely to [have a negative impact on] cause

55 ~~{-irreparable-}~~ substantial harm to public health, safety, welfare, or property; or

56 (c) protect the legal interests of a public entity.

3. Page 2, Line 57 through Page 3, Line 63:

57 (2) A procurement unit conducting an emergency procurement under Subsection (1)  
58 shall:

59 (a) ensure that the procurement is made with as much competition as reasonably  
60 practicable while:

61 (i) avoiding a lapse in a critical government service;

62 (ii) avoiding ~~{-irreparable-}~~ substantial harm[, or a risk of harm, to the] to public health, safety,

63 welfare, or property; or

Yeas-9

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. S. Waldrip

**MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to pass H.B. 114 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-9

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. S. Waldrip

**4 . S.B. 57 Executive Residence Commission Amendments (*Wilson, C.*)**

Sen. Wilson introduced the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Thurston moved to pass S.B. 57 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

**MOTION:** Rep. Thurston moved to place S.B. 57 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

**5 . S.B. 72 Open and Public Meetings Amendments (Fillmore, L.)**

Sen. Fillmore introduced the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Thurston moved to pass S.B. 72 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

**MOTION:** Rep. Welton moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. S. Waldrip

Chair Maloy adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.