



MINUTES

HOUSE REVENUE AND TAXATION STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Friday, February 5, 2021 | 3:40 p.m. | 30 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Robert M. Spendlove, Chair
Rep. Adam Robertson, Vice Chair
Rep. Nelson T. Abbott
Rep. Stewart E. Barlow
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Suzanne Harrison
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee
Rep. Jefferson Moss

Rep. Douglas V. Sagers
Rep. Mark A. Strong

Members Absent:

Rep. Travis M. Seegmiller
Rep. Andrew Stoddard

Staff Present:

Alex R. Janak, Policy Analyst
Jordan Gage, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Robertson called the meeting to order at 3:51 p.m.

MOTION: Chair Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2021, meetings. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-8

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

1 . H.B. 247 Transient Room Tax Amendments (*Albrecht, C.*)

[HB247 Letters](#)

Rep. Albrecht presented the bill with the assistance of Lincoln Shurtz, Director of Government Affairs, Utah Association of Counties.

Committee discussion took place on the bill.

Lincoln Shurtz, Director of Government Affairs, Utah Association of Counties, spoke in favor of the bill.

Chris Baird, County Commissioner, Grand County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Tammy Pearson, County Commissioner, Beaver County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rusty Cannon, Utah Tax Payers Association, spoke against the bill.

John Valentine, Commissioner, Utah State Tax Commission, spoke to the bill.

Leland Pollock, County Commissioner, Garfield County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jordan Garn, Utah Hotel and Lodging Association, spoke to the bill.

Dennis Blackburn, County Commissioner, Wayne County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ashley Korenblat, private citizen, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to saunter. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

MOTION: Rep. Briscoe moved to end saunter. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

Camille Johnson Taylor, Executive Director, Office of Tourism, Kane County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kirstin Peterson, private citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Natalie Randall, Utah Tourism Industry Association, spoke to the bill.

Rani Derasary, Moab City Council, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Sagers moved to replace H.B. 247 with 1st Substitute H.B. 247. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

MOTION: Rep. Spendlove moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 247 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Amendment 1

1st Sub. H.B. 247

1. Page 6, Lines 165 through 166:

165 (1) Except as provided in Subsections (2), (3), ~~{and}~~ and (4)~~{and (5)}~~, the tax authorized
166 under this part shall be administered, collected, and enforced in accordance with:

Yeas-9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

MOTION: Rep. Strong moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 247 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

2 . H.B. 270 Property Tax Valuation Amendments (Hawkes, T.)

Rep. Hawkes presented the bill.

Committee discussion took place on the bill.

Rebecca Rockwell, Commissioner, Utah State Tax Commission, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Briscoe moved to replace H.B. 270 with 1st Substitute H.B. 270. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 270 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-11

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard

Chair Robertson adjourned the meeting at 4:44 p.m.