



MINUTES

SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, February 4, 2021 | 3:40 p.m. | 110 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher, Chair
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. John D. Johnson
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe

Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Members Absent:

President J. Stuart Adams

Staff Present:

Samantha D. Brucker, Policy Analyst
Kristen Anderson, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Thatcher called the meeting to order at 3:39 p.m.

1 . S.B. 15 Workforce Solutions for Air Quality Amendments (McCay, D.)

Sen. McCay presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to replace S.B. 15 with 1st Substitute S.B. 15. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-5

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to amend 1st Substitute S.B. 15 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Amendment 1
1st Sub. S.B. 0015

1. Page 2, Lines 47 through 49:

47 (e) "Telework" or "Teleworking" means an employee working from home , or from an approved worksite other
than the location from which the employee would otherwise work, through the use of a
48 computer, the Internet, a telephone, or other technology to complete work-related duties and
49 maintain contact with colleagues, clients, or a central office as needed.

Yeas-5

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. E. Vickers

Ashley Miller, Director, Creative Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Bryce Bird, Department of Environmental Quality, spoke in favor of the bill.

Andrew Gruber, Executive Director, Wasatch Front Regional Council, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Johnson moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 15 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-5

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays-0

Absent-3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. E. Vickers

2 . 1st Sub. H.B. 33 Community Correctional Center Amendments (*Musselman, C.R.*)

Sen. Musselman presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 33 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-6

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. E. Vickers

3 . H.B. 128 Local Accumulated Fund Balance Amendments (*Winder, M.*)

Rep. Winder presented the bill.

Victoria Ashby, Director of Government Relations, Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke to the bill.

Howard Stephenson, Former Senator, spoke to the bill.

Ricky Hatch, Auditor, Weber County, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to pass H.B. 128 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Adams

4 . H.B. 176 Revisor's Technical Corrections to Utah Code (*Gibson, F.*)

Sen Gibson presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass H.B. 176 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Adams

5 . H.B. 141 Municipal Services Amendments (*Brooks, W.*)

Rep. Brooks presented the bill.

Jeff Peterson, Executive Director, Utah Rural Electric Cooperative Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mark Morris, Attorney, Snell and Wilmer, spoke against the bill.

Jon Cox, Vice President Government Affairs, Rocky Mountain Power, spoke in favor of the bill.

Seth Perrins, City Manager, Spanish Fork City, spoke in favor of the bill.

David Tuckett, City Manager, Payson City, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass H.B. 141 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Adams

6 . 1st Sub. H.B. 57 Armed Forces Amendments (*Burton, J.*)

Retired General Jefferson Burton presented the bill.

Brian Garrett, Deputy Director, Utah Department of Veterans and Military Affairs, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 57 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Adams

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.



Yeas-7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. J. Adams

Chair Thatcher adjourned the meeting at 4:41 p.m.