



**LEGISLATURE**

# MINUTES

## HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 | 2:00 p.m. | 2110 State Office Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. A. Cory Maloy, Chair  
Rep. Norman K. Thurston, Vice Chair  
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

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Walt Brooks

**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).

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

Yeas-5

Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-0

Absent-6

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. D. Welton

Vice Chair Thurston called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

### **1 . H.J.R. 8 Joint Resolution to Protect Utah's Institutions of Higher Education from Chinese Communist Party Influence (*Pierucci, C.*)**

Rep. Pierucci introduced the bill with the assistance of Megan Reiss and Adam Gardner, Sen. Romney's Office. Rep. Pierucci distributed a document titled, "Confucius Institute."

[Protecting Against the Influence of the Confucius Institute](#)

**MOTION:** Rep. Pierucci moved to pass H.J.R. 8 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-9

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

Nays-0

Absent-2

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. S. Pitcher

### **2 . S.B. 12 Reauthorization of Administrative Rules (*Anderegg, J.*)**

Sen. Anderegg introduced the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to pass S.B. 12 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher

**3 . H.B. 293 Open Meeting Minutes Amendments (*Petersen, M.*)**

Rep. M. Petersen introduced the bill with the assistance of Tyson Plastow, Utah State Auditor's Office.

**MOTION:** Rep. Maloy moved to pass H.B. 293 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. S. Pitcher

**4 . H.C.R. 11 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing the Success of the 2020 Election (*Briscoe, J.*)**

[HCR11 Resolution Recognizing Success of the 2020 Election](#)

Rep. Briscoe introduced the resolution and distributed a document, "HCR11, Concurrent Resolution Recognizing the Success of the 2020 Election."

Ricky Hatch, Weber County Clerk/Auditor, spoke in support of the resolution.

Rep. Maloy assumed the chair.

**MOTION:** Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to pass H.C.R. 11 out favorably and then withdrew her motion.

**MOTION:** Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to replace H.C.R. 11 with 1st Substitute H.C.R. 11. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. N. Thurston

**MOTION:** Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to pass 1st Substitute H.C.R. 11 out favorably.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to table 1st Substitute H.C.R. 11. The substitute motion failed with a vote of 3 - 6 - 2.

Yeas-3

Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. N. Thurston

Nays-6

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pitcher  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. D. Welton

Absent-2

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. C. Pierucci

Rep. Dailey-Provost's motion to pass H.C.R. 11 out favorably passed

**5 . H.B. 246 Ballot Measure Transparency Amendments (Christiansen, S.)**

Rep. Thurston resumed the chair.

[Ballot Measure Transparency Amendments](#)

Rep. Christiansen introduced the bill and distributed a document titled "HB246 Ballot Measure Transparency Amendments.

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

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

**MOTION:** Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-10

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. S. Waldrip  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. W. Brooks

**6 . H.B. 312 State Residency Amendments (Teuscher, J.)**

Rep. Teuscher introduced the bill.

Aaron Starks, citizen, spoke to the bill.

Justin Lee, Director of Elections, spoke in support of the bill.

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

**MOTION:** Rep. Maloy moved to replace H.B. 312 with 1st Substitute H.B. 312. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pitcher

**MOTION:** Chair Maloy moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 312 out favorably.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Rep. Thurston moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 312 with Amendment #1. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 6 - 2 - 3.

Amendment 1  
1st Sub. H.B. 0312

1. Page 5, Lines 124 through 126:

124 includes a durational residency requirement has been absent from the state for a period of more  
125 than 180 consecutive days during the applicable residency period, the individual {~~shall~~} may, at the  
126 time that the candidate files a declaration of candidacy, submit evidence to the filing officer to

Yeas-6

Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. C. Pierucci  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays-2

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. A. Maloy

Absent-3

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pitcher

**MOTION:** Chair Maloy moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 312 out favorably as amended.

**MOTION:** Rep. Waldrip moved to make a substitute motion to hold 1st Substitute H.B. 312. Rep. Waldrip withdrew his motion.

Rep. Maloy's original motion to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 312 out favorably as amended passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pitcher

**MOTION:** Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.



Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pitcher

Vice Chair Thurston adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m.