



MINUTES

HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, February 18, 2021 | 9:15 a.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. Scott H. Chew
Rep. Stephen G. Handy
Rep. Michael L. Kohler
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers
Rep. Rex P. Shipp

Rep. Christine F. Watkins

Members Absent:

Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes
Rep. Phil Lyman
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.

Chair Snider called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Sagers moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 6.

Yeas-8

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-6

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. K. Stratton

1 . H.B. 257 Utahraptor State Park (Eliason, S.)

Rep. Eliason introduced the bill assisted by the following: Christy Williams, Moab Museum; Forrest Rodgers, Director, Moab Museum; Lee Shenton, Utah Friends of Paleontologists; Dr. Martin Lockley, retired professor and paleontologist; Elaine Gizler, Director, Discover Moab; Jacques Hadler, Commissioner, Grand County; and Mary McCann, Chair, Grand County Commission. In addition, Jeff Rasmussen, Director, Utah State Parks and Rep. Kera Birkeland assisted in the presentation.

[Support for the creation and funding of Utah Raptor State Park](#)

[Dalton Wells recreation resource overview](#)

Jake Garfield, Utah Association of Counties, spoke in support of the bill.

Michael Skarda, citizen, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Chair Stratton moved to replace H.B. 257 with 1st Substitute H.B. 257. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 5.



Yeas-9

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Chair Stratton moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 257 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 1 - 6.

Yeas-7

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. K. Stratton

Nays-1

Rep. C. Snider

Absent-6

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. C. Watkins

MOTION: Rep. Chew moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-9

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. Schultz

Chair Snider adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.