



MINUTES

HOUSE JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, February 3, 2022 | 3:40 p.m. | 110 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Jon Hawkins, Chair
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee, Vice Chair
Rep. Nelson T. Abbott
Rep. Cheryl K. Acton
Rep. Kera Birkeland
Rep. Brady Brammer
Rep. Brian S. King

Rep. Stephanie Pitcher
Rep. Judy Weeks Rohner
Rep. Travis M. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Lowry Snow
Rep. Mark A. Wheatley

Staff Present:

Jonathan Adams, 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 Hawkins called the meeting to order at 3:46 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Seegmiller moved to approve the minutes from the January 31, 2022, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 8

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. C. Acton
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Pitcher

1. H.J.R. 9 Joint Resolution Demanding Congress to Call an Article V Convention of States (Ivory, K.)

Rep. Ken Ivory presented the bill and distributed handouts with the assistance of David Walker and William Owens.

[HJR9 Handout](#)

[HJR9 Handout 2](#)

[HJR9 - Owens Letter](#)

[HJR9 - AMAC Action Letter](#)

[HJR9 - Let Us Vote for a Balanced Budget Amendment Citizen's Campaign, Inc. Letter](#)

Ellen Brady commented on the bill.

David Biddulph commented on the bill.

Roger Marce commented on the bill.

Kris Kimball, United Women's Forum, spoke against the bill.

Sharon Anderson commented on the bill.

Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke against the bill.

Rod Mann commented on the bill.

Eldon Stahl commented on the bill.

Stephen Robertson spoke against the bill.

Douglas Timmerman commented on the bill.

Clyde Beutler spoke against the bill.

Marianne Christensen, Executive Director, Utah Eagle Forum, commented on the bill.

Camille Crookston spoke against the bill.

Beverly Crangle spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Abbott moved to table H.J.R. 9. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 4 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 4

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. V. Snow

Absent - 1

Rep. K. Lisonbee

2. H.B. 228 Crime Victim Reparations Amendments (Ivory, K.)

Rep. Ivory presented the bill and distributed a handout with the assistance of Gary Scheller, Director, Utah Office for Victims of Crimes.

[HB228 Handout](#)

Rep. Brammer assumed the chair.

Erin Jemison, Utah Domestic Violence Coalition, spoke in favor of the bill.

Susan Chasson, forensic nurse, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rep. Hawkins resumed the chair.

MOTION: Rep. Pitcher moved to pass H.B. 228 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

3. H.B. 196 Transfer of Domestic Violence Cases (*Pitcher, S.*)

Rep. Pitcher presented the bill with the assistance of David Cole, Davis County Attorney's Office.

William Carlson, Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

Craig Chambers, President, Utah Municipal Prosecutors Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Wheatley moved to replace H.B. 196 with 1st Substitute H.B. 196. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

MOTION: Rep. Pitcher moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 196 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Amendment 1
1st Sub. H.B. 196

1. Page 6, Lines 166 through 170:

166 (6) (a) As used in this Subsection (6), "domestic violence offense" means the same as
167 that term is defined in Section 77-36-1.

168 (b) If a justice court has jurisdiction over a criminal action involving a domestic
169 violence offense and the criminal action is set for jury trial, the justice court shall transfer the case
170 to the district court.

Yeas - 9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

MOTION: Rep. King moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 196 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

4. H.B. 216 Office of State Debt Collection Amendments (Ward, R.)

Rep. Raymond Ward presented the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Abbott moved to amend H.B. 216 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Amendment 1
H.B. 0216

1. Page 3, Line 86:

86 (t) ~~{consulting}~~ consult with a state agency on whether:

2. Page 11, Line 334 through Page 12, Line 338:

334 (b) (i) the payment will eliminate the entire balance of the debt, including any interest

335 ~~{and fees}~~; or

336 (ii) after reaching a settlement, the payment amount will eliminate the entire agreed

337 upon balance of the debt, including any interest ~~{and fees}~~.

338 ~~[(5)] (6)~~ For a criminal accounts receivable, the department shall collect the current and

Yeas - 9

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Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

MOTION: Rep. Abbott moved to pass H.B. 216 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

5. S.B. 87 Court Fee Waiver Amendments (Iwamoto, J.)

Sen. Jani Iwamoto presented the bill.

Linda Smith spoke in favor of the bill.

Gabriella Archuleta, Public Policy Director, YWCA Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jean Hill, Catholic Diocese of Salt Lake City, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Wheatley moved to pass S.B. 87 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 8

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

6. 1st Sub. H.B. 148 Commitment in Criminal Proceedings (Abbott, N.)

MOTION: Rep. Seegmiller moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 8

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner

Chair Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.