



MINUTES

SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, February 10, 2022 | 8:00 a.m. | 215 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Scott D. Sandall, Chair
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Keith Grover
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Derrin R. Owens

Members Absent:

Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Staff Present:

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
Lisa Sorensen, Policy Analyst
Katie Wyant-Stein, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Sandall called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to approve the minutes from February 7th, 2022. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. E. Vickers

1. H.B. 177 Water Well Amendments (Ferry, J.)

Rep. Ferry presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass H.B. 177 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. E. Vickers

2. H.B. 168 Preferences of Water Rights Amendments (Albrecht, C.)

Rep. Albrecht presented the bill.

Chair Sandall spoke to the bill.

Sen. Hinkins spoke to the bill.

Sen. Davis spoke in favor of the bill.

Sen. Hinkins spoke to the bill.

Teresa Wilhemlson, State Engineer, Director, Division of Water Rights, spoke to the bill.

Wade Garrett, Vice President Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jon Cox, Rocky Mountain Power, spoke in favor of the bill.

Michael Larson, Legislative Water Development Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

Sen. Hinkins spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to pass H.B. 168 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. G. Davis
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. E. Vickers

3. S.B. 153 Medical Cannabis Governance Study (Davis, G.)

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to replace S.B. 153 with 1st Substitute S.B. 153. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. G. Davis
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. Davis presented the bill.

Sen. Hinkins spoke to the bill.

Scott Ericson, President, Utah CBD Pros, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 153 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. G. Davis
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. Hinkins spoke to the bill.

Chair Sandall spoke to the bill.

4. 1st Sub. H.B. 145 Wildfire Amendments (Snider, C.)

Rep. Snider presented the bill.

Jamie Barnes, Director, State Forester, Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Iwamoto moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 145 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. E. Vickers

5. 3rd Sub. H.B. 62 Big Game Amendments (Snider, C.)

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to replace 3rd Substitute H.B. 62 with 4th Substitute H.B. 62. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. E. Vickers

Rep. Snider presented the bill.

Riley Peck, Wildlife Program Manager, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, spoke in favor of the bill.

Sen. Hinkins spoke to the bill.

Garrick Hall, Lobbyist, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke in favor of the bill.

Sen. Hinkins spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 4th Substitute H.B. 62 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. Owens spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Grover moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. G. Davis
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Sen. E. Vickers

Chair Sandall adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m.