



MINUTES

SENATE JUDICIARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, February 10, 2022 | 8:00 a.m. | 210 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Todd D. Weiler, Chair
Sen. Michael S. Kennedy
Sen. Derek L. Kitchen
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson

Staff Present:

Jonathan Adams, Policy Analyst
Shandra Mutchie, Committee Secretary

Members Absent:

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

Chair Weiler called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m.

Sen. Weiler assumed the chair.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Stevenson

1. 2nd Sub. H.B. 81 Sexual Solicitation Amendments (*Pulsipher, S.*)

Rep. Susan Pulsipher presented the bill with the assistance of Pansy Watson, legal counsel, National Center of Exploitations.

Dan Strong, Director of Utah Sentencing Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

Linda Zenger, Utah PTA, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mervyn Arnold, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum spoke in favor of the bill.

Steve Burton, Intermountain Legal, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 81 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Stevenson

Sen. Thatcher assumed the chair.

2. H.B. 149 Power of Attorney Amendments (*Ballard, M.G.*)

Sen. Weiler presented the bill.

Danny Harris, Director of Advocacy, AARP Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rep. Melissa Ballard, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Chair Weiler moved to pass H.B. 149 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Stevenson

3. H.B. 159 Attorney General Prosecution Review Amendments (*Lisonbee, K.*)

Sen. Weiler resumed the chair.

Rep. Karianne Lisonbee presented the bill.

Che Arguello, Prosecutor, Attorney General's Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass H.B. 159 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Stevenson

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. D. Kitchen
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Stevenson

Chair Weiler adjourned the meeting at 8:45 a.m.