



UTAH STATE

LEGISLATURE

MINUTES

HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

Friday, February 11, 2022 | 8:00 a.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Michael L. Kohler, Vice Chair
Rep. Carl R. Albrecht
Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Scott H. Chew
Rep. Stephen G. Handy
Rep. Timothy D. Hawkes
Rep. Phil Lyman
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers

Rep. Rex P. Shipp
Rep. Casey Snider
Rep. Christine F. Watkins

Members Absent:

Rep. Keven J. Stratton, Chair
Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
Makelle Winger, Committee Secretary

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

Vice Chair Kohler assumed the chair.

Vice Chair Kohler called the meeting to order at 8:09:24 AM.

MOTION: Rep. Lyman moved to approve the minutes for February 8, 2022. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 7

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton

1. H.B. 244 Geological Carbon Sequestration Amendments (Handy, S.)

MOTION: Rep. Albrecht moved to refer H.B. 244 to the House Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Committee. 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. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 6

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton

2. H.B. 256 Farm to School Program (Handy, S.)

Rep. Handy presented the bill with the assistance of Kate Wheeler, Child Nutrition Specialist, Utah State Board of Education. They responded to questions from the committee.

[HB256 Farm to School Program](#)

Linda Gillmor, Department of Agriculture and Food, spoke in favor of the bill.

Elizabeth Garbe, Senior Director, United Way of Salt Lake, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

Dave Erikson, member of the public, spoke in favor of the bill.

Gina Cornia, Director, Utahns Against Hunger, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Chew moved to replace H.B. 256 with 1st Substitute H.B. 256. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 256 out favorably with further discussion from the committee. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

3. H.B. 263 Utah Watersheds Council Amendments (Chew, S.)

Rep. Chew presented the bill.

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

Brain Somers, President, Utah Mining Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Warren Peterson, member of the public, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Albrecht moved to amend H.B. 263 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Amendment 1
H.B. 263

1. Page 2, Lines 50 through 53:

50 (n) an attorney {~~whose practice area focuses on~~} who is authorized to practice law in the state, who has
recognized expertise in water law , and is selected by the governor from
51 a list of three individuals nominated jointly by the executive director of the Department of
52 Natural Resources, the executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality, and the
53 commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Food; and

Yeas - 11

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Handy
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

MOTION: Rep. Briscoe moved to pass H.B. 263 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 11

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Handy
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

4. H.B. 282 Water Wise Landscaping Amendments (Wilcox, R.)

Rep. Ryan Wilcox presented the bill with assistance of John Parry, Assistance General Manager, Weber Basin Water Conservancy District. They responded to questions from the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to pass H.B. 282 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

5. H.B. 250 Environmental Quality Revenue Amendments (*Barlow, S.*)

Rep. Stewart Barlow presented the bill with assistance of Doug Hansen, Director, Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control, and Casey Hill, Energy Solutions. They responded to questions from the committee.

[HB250 Environmental Quality Restricted Account](#)

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to amend H.B. 250 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Amendment 1 H.B. 250

1. Page 9, Lines 251 through 253:

251 (2) The fund shall consist of:

252 (a) the proceeds of [the]:

(i) a fee imposed under Section 19-6-805 {-or-}; and

(ii) a fee imposed under Section 19-6-806; and

253 (b) penalties collected under this part.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to pass H.B. 250 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton



MOTION: Rep. Shipp moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Handy
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Hawkes
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

Vice Chair Kohler adjourned the meeting at 9:26:40 AM.