



MINUTES

HOUSE REVENUE AND TAXATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Friday, February 11, 2022 | 2:00 p.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Casey Snider, Chair
Rep. Adam Robertson, Vice Chair
Rep. Nelson T. Abbott
Rep. Joel K. Briscoe
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Suzanne Harrison
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee
Rep. Douglas V. Sagers
Rep. Travis M. Seegmiller

Rep. Andrew Stoddard
Rep. Mark A. Strong

Members Absent:

Rep. Stewart E. Barlow
Rep. Robert M. Spendlove

Staff Present:

Kristina King, 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.

Chair Snider called the meeting to order at 2:05:14 PM.

MOTION: Rep. Strong moved to approve the minutes February 9, 2022. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 6

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. M. Strong

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. A. Stoddard

1. H.B. 239 Governmental Entity Budget Transparency (Abbott, N.)

Rep. Abbott presented the bill with a presentation and responded to questions from the committee.

[HB239 Governmental Entity Budget Transparency Presentation](#)

Molly Wheeler, Policy Director, Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke against the bill and responded to a question from the committee.

Brian Allen, Lobbyist, Cottonwood Heights City, spoke against the bill and responded to a question from the committee.

Dan Jessen, Auditor, Iron County, spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to replace H.B. 239 with 1st Substitute H.B. 239. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. A. Stoddard
Rep. M. Strong

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. R. Spendlove

MOTION: Rep. Strong moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 239 out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Stoddard moved to hold 1st Substitute H.B. 239 with further discussion from the committee. The substitute motion failed with a vote of 4 - 6 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. A. Stoddard

Nays - 6

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. M. Strong

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. R. Spendlove

The committee had further discussion on the original motion.

The committee voted on the original motion to pass out H.B. 239 favorably and it passed with a vote of 6 - 4 - 3.

Yeas - 6

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. M. Strong

Nays - 4

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. A. Stoddard

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. R. Spendlove

2. 2nd Sub. S.B. 25 Property Tax Deferral Amendments (Fillmore, L.)

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore presented the bill and responded to questions from the committee.

Wayne Cushing, Treasurer, Salt Lake County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Michael Melendez, Executive Vice President, Libertas Institute, spoke in favor of the bill.

Danny Harris, Director of Advocacy, American Association of Retired Persons Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Strong moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 25 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. A. Stoddard
Rep. M. Strong

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. R. Spendlove

3. S.B. 90 Tax Administration Amendments (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Wayne Harper presented the bill.

Rebecca Rockwell, Commissioner, Utah State Tax Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Stoddard moved to pass S.B. 90 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. A. Stoddard
Rep. M. Strong

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. R. Spendlove

4. 3rd Sub. S.B. 81 Affordable Housing Tax Amendments (*Iwamoto, J.*)

Sen. Jani Iwamoto presented the bill with assistance of Peter Corroon, Manager, Real Estate Developers, Chris Stavros, Assessor, Salt Lake County Assessors Association and Salt Lake County Council, and Wayne Niederhauser, Homeless Coordinator, Office of Homeless Services. They responded to questions from the committee.

Rep. Lisonbee assumed the chair.

Cait Klundt, Government Affairs Director, Utah Association of Realtors, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Stoddard moved to pass 3rd Substitute S.B. 81 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. A. Stoddard
Rep. M. Strong

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. R. Spendlove

Rep. Robertson assumed the chair.

5. H.B. 187 Agricultural Assessment Amendments (Kohler, M.)

Rep. Kohler was not present. Vice Chair Robertson proceeded to next item on the agenda.

6. H.B. 156 Sales and Use Tax Refund Amendments (Watkins, C.)

Rep. Christine Watkins presented the bill with the assistance of Rikki Hrenko-Browning, President, Utah Petroleum Association, Rusty Cannon, President, Utah Taxpayers Association, and Cameron Cuch, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Finley Resources and Uinta Wax LLC. They responded to questions from the committee.

Kristen Lingley, Director of Stakeholders Affairs, Caerus Oil and Gas LLC, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Sagers moved to pass H.B. 156 out favorably with further discussion from the committee.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Sagers withdrew original motion and moved to hold H.B. 156 with further discussion from the committee. The substitute motion failed with a vote of 5 - 5 - 3.

<u>Yeas - 5</u> Rep. J. Briscoe Rep. S. Eliason Rep. S. Harrison Rep. D. Sagers Rep. C. Snider	<u>Nays - 5</u> Rep. N. Abbott Rep. K. Lisonbee Rep. A. Robertson Rep. T. Seegmiller Rep. M. Strong	<u>Absent - 3</u> Rep. S. Barlow Rep. R. Spendlove Rep. A. Stoddard
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MOTION: Rep. Lisonbee moved to pass H.B. 156 out favorably. The motion failed with a vote of 5 - 5 - 3.

<u>Yeas - 5</u> Rep. N. Abbott Rep. K. Lisonbee Rep. A. Robertson Rep. T. Seegmiller Rep. M. Strong	<u>Nays - 5</u> Rep. J. Briscoe Rep. S. Eliason Rep. S. Harrison Rep. D. Sagers Rep. C. Snider	<u>Absent - 3</u> Rep. S. Barlow Rep. R. Spendlove Rep. A. Stoddard
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7. H.B. 275 Vehicle Emissions Reduction Program (Stenquist, J.)

Rep. Jeffrey Stenquist presented the bill and responded to questions from the committee.

Steve Erickson, Utah Audubon Council and Crossroads Urban Centers, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Harrison moved to pass H.B. 275 out favorably with further discussion from the committee. The motion failed with a vote of 4 - 4 - 5.

<u>Yeas - 4</u> Rep. J. Briscoe Rep. S. Eliason Rep. S. Harrison Rep. D. Sagers	<u>Nays - 4</u> Rep. A. Robertson Rep. T. Seegmiller Rep. C. Snider Rep. M. Strong	<u>Absent - 5</u> Rep. N. Abbott Rep. S. Barlow Rep. K. Lisonbee Rep. R. Spendlove Rep. A. Stoddard
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MOTION: Rep. Strong moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 8

Rep. J. Briscoe
Rep. S. Eliason
Rep. S. Harrison
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. D. Sagers
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. M. Strong

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. S. Barlow
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. R. Spendlove
Rep. A. Stoddard

Vice Chair Robertson adjourned the meeting at 3:52:26 PM.