



UTAH STATE

LEGISLATURE

MINUTES

HOUSE TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 | 2:00 p.m. | 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Rep. Kay J. Christofferson, Chair
Rep. Karen M. Peterson, Vice Chair
Rep. Nelson T. Abbott
Rep. Ken Ivory
Rep. Dan N. Johnson
Rep. Ashlee Matthews
Rep. Susan Pulsipher

Rep. Jeffrey D. Stenquist
Rep. Jordan D. Teuscher
Rep. Raymond P. Ward
Rep. Douglas R. Welton

Staff Present:

Rachel Brooks, Policy Analyst
Shay Berger, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Christofferson called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.m.

1. H.B. 26 License Plate Amendments (*Thurston, N.*)

[Handout for HB26](#)

Rep. Norm Thurston introduced the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Matthews moved to replace H.B. 26 with 1st Substitute H.B. 26. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 7

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. J. Teuscher

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 26 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 7

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. J. Teuscher

Rep. Peterson assumed the chair.

2. H.B. 113 Motor Vehicle Insurance Revisions (*Judkins, M.*)

Rep. Marsha Judkins introduced the bill with Kevin Whiqueant, insurance agent, and John Pike, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Utah.

[Presentation for HB113](#)

Kevin Whiqueuant, insurance agent and citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Keith Andrews, Bear River Mutual Insurance Company, spoke against the bill.

Steve Sullivan, Utah Association of Justice, spoke in favor of the bill.

Matt Child, CEO of Utah Independent Agents, spoke against the bill.

Mike Sonntag, American Property and Casualty Insurance Association, spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Abbott moved to amend H.B. 113 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
H.B. 113

- 1. Page 2, Lines 28 through 37:
- 28 insurer's liability under that coverage below the following:
- 29 (1) (a) \$[25,000] ~~{-50,000-}~~ 30,000 because of liability for bodily injury to or death of one person,
- 30 arising out of the use of a motor vehicle in any one accident;
- 31 (b) subject to the limit for one person in Subsection (1)(a), in the amount of \$~~{+}65,000{+}~~
- 32 ~~{-100,000-}~~ because of liability for bodily injury to or death of two or more persons arising out of
- 33 the use of a motor vehicle in any one accident; and
- 34 (c) in the amount of \$[15,000] ~~{-50,000-}~~ 25,000 because of liability for injury to, or destruction
- 35 of, property of others arising out of the use of a motor vehicle in any one accident; or
- 36 (2) \$[80,000] ~~{-150,000-}~~ 90,000 in any one accident whether arising from bodily injury to or the
- 37 death of others, or from destruction of, or damage to, the property of others.

Yeas - 10
 Rep. N. Abbott
 Rep. K. Christofferson
 Rep. K. Ivory
 Rep. D. Johnson
 Rep. A. Matthews
 Rep. K. Peterson
 Rep. S. Pulsipher
 Rep. J. Stenquist
 Rep. J. Teuscher
 Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
 Rep. D. Welton

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to pass H.B. 113 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 4 - 1.

Yeas - 6
 Rep. N. Abbott
 Rep. K. Ivory
 Rep. D. Johnson
 Rep. A. Matthews
 Rep. S. Pulsipher
 Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 4
 Rep. K. Christofferson
 Rep. K. Peterson
 Rep. J. Stenquist
 Rep. J. Teuscher

Absent - 1
 Rep. D. Welton

3. H.B. 258 Motor Vehicle Light Amendments (Rohner, J.)

Rep. Judy Rohner introduced the bill with Bob Macantee.

Renee Green, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rep. Tyler Clancey spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Teuscher moved to amend H.B. 258 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Amendment 1
H.B. 258

1. Page 1, Line 27 through Page 2, Line 38:
27 41-6a-1603. Lights and illuminating devices – Duty to display – Time.
28 (1) (a) [The] ~~{Regardless of the vehicle's automated light settings, the}~~ The operator of a
29 vehicle shall ~~[turn-on]~~ ensure the lamps or lights of the vehicle are illuminated while the
30 vehicle is being operated on a highway at any time ~~[from a half hour after sunset to a half hour~~
31 ~~before sunrise and at any other time when, due to]~~:
32 (i) from sunset to sunrise; {~~and~~} or
33 (ii) ~~{the sun is not in plain view, including when the following conditions are present:~~
34 ~~—(A) insufficient light [or];~~
35 ~~—(B) unfavorable atmospheric conditions[.]; or~~
36 ~~—(C) } when persons and vehicles on the highway are not clearly discernible at a distance of~~
37 1,000 feet ahead{~~.~~} due to:
(A) insufficient light; or
(B) unfavorable atmospheric conditions.
38 (b) The lights, lighted lamps, and other lamps and illuminating devices under

Yeas - 8

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. J. Teuscher

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

MOTION: Rep. Ivory moved to pass H.B. 258 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 8

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. J. Teuscher

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

4. H.B. 200 Motor Vehicle Registration Revisions (Gricius, S.)

Rep. Stephanie Gricius introduced the bill

MOTION: Rep. Christofferson moved to pass H.B. 200 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 7

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. D. Welton

MOTION: Rep. Ward moved to place H.B. 200 on the Consent Calendar. The motion failed with a vote of 6 - 1 - 4.

Yeas - 6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 1

Rep. J. Stenquist

Absent - 4

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. D. Welton

5. 1st Sub. S.B. 24 Advanced Air Mobility Amendments (Harper, W.)

Jared Esselman, Utah General Aviation Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Chair Peterson moved to amend 1st Substitute S.B. 24 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 5.

Amendment 1
1st Sub. S.B. 24

1. Page 13, Lines 383 through 396:

383 the business license.

384 (4) A political subdivision may not{~~:~~

385 ~~— (a)}~~require an advanced air mobility business to:

386 ~~{(i)}~~ (a) obtain a separate business license beyond the initial business license described in

387 Subsection (3)(a);

388 ~~{(ii)}~~ (b) pay a fee other than the fee for the initial business license described in Subsection

389 (3); or

390 ~~{(iii)}~~ (c) pay a fee for each employee the advanced air mobility business employs{~~: or~~};

391 ~~{(b) regulate or restrict the size of an advanced air mobility business.}~~

(5) A political subdivision shall provide a reasonable accommodation to an advanced air mobility business with regard to any regulation or restriction on the size of the business.

392 ~~{(5)}~~ (6) A political subdivision shall recognize as valid within the political subdivision the

393 business license of an advanced air mobility business obtained in another political subdivision

394 within the state, if the business license is current and in good standing.

395 [(2)] ~~{(6)}~~ (7) This chapter supersedes any law, ordinance, or rule enacted by a political

396 subdivision of the state before July 1, [2017] 2022.

Yeas - 6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

MOTION: Rep. Christofferson moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 24 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

6. S.B. 30 Road Usage Amendments (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Wayne Harper introduced the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Matthews moved to pass S.B. 30 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

MOTION: Rep. Matthews moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton

MOTION: Rep. Christofferson moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 6

Rep. K. Christofferson
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. A. Matthews
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. J. Stenquist

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. K. Ivory
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Ward
Rep. D. Welton