



MINUTES

HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

Friday, February 3, 2023 | 3:40 p.m. | 30 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Calvin R. Musselman, Chair
Rep. Michael J. Petersen, Vice Chair
Rep. Bridger Bolinder
Rep. Jennifer Dailey-Provost
Rep. Stephanie Gricius
Rep. Sahara Hayes
Rep. A. Cory Maloy

Rep. Val L. Peterson
Rep. Candice B. Pierucci
Rep. Andrew Stoddard
Rep. Norman K Thurston
Rep. Douglas R. Welton

Staff Present:

Lisa Sorensen, Policy Analyst
Ashley Dibble, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Musselman called the meeting to order.

MOTION: Rep. Pierucci moved to approve the 1/31/23 minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 8

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
Rep. C. Musselman
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Stoddard

1. S.B. 11 Retirement Fiscal Note Requirements (Fillmore, L.)

Sen. Fillmore presented the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass S.B. 11 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 8

Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Musselman
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. A. Stoddard

2. S.J.R. 4 Joint Rules Resolution - Fiscal Note Deadlines (Fillmore, L.)

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass S.J.R. 4 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 8
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Musselman
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. A. Stoddard

3. H.B. 37 Voter Signature Verification Amendments (*Eliason, S.*)

Rep. Eliason presented the bill w/ assistance of Ryan Cowley, Director of Elections, Lieutenant Governor Office.

Bryan McKenzie, Davis County Clerk, Clerks of the State of UT, spoke to the bill.

Nate Crippes, Public Affairs Supervising Attorney, Disability Law Center, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nikila Venugopal, Director of Campaigns, ACCU of UT spoke in favor of the bill.

Catherine Paquette-Richardson spoke in favor of the bill.

Fred Hayes, Election Researcher, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to replace H.B. 37 with 1st Substitute H.B. 37. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 9
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Musselman
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. A. Stoddard

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 37 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 9
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Musselman
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. A. Stoddard

4. H.B. 171 Alternative Voting Methods Modifications (*Hall, K.*)

[4.1 Alternative Voting Methods Modifications & Mayor Zoltanski's Statement](#)

[4.2 Ranked Choice Voting Presentation](#)

[4.3 Moab: Complexity Favors the Well Connected](#)

Rep. Hall presented the bill w/ assistance of Wendy Hart & Audrey Perry Martin, JD, OSP.

Rep. Stoddard raised a Point Of Order: Reminder that the time is for questions.

Rep. Thurston made a motion.

Erin Davidson, Utah County Clerk, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jeff Silvestrini, Mayor, Millcreek / Chair, UT League of Cities & Towns, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Rebecca Cully, spoke in favor of the bill.

Marcus Stevenson, Mayor, Midvale, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Whit Cook, UT Eagle Forum, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nate Allen, Executive Director, UT Approves, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Trent Staggs, Mayor, Riverton, spoke in favor of the bill.

Amelia Powers Gardner, UT County Commissioner, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Rep. Pierucci raised a Point of Order: Reminded the public to maintain decorum.

Marilyn Larson, spoke in favor of the bill.

Stan Rasmussen, Vice President, Government Affairs, Sutherland Institute, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Barbara Metaxas, spoke in favor of the bill.

Josh Daniels, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Kristin Richie, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mark Roberts, Chair, UT Ranked Choice Voting, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Cristy Bulkley, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rep. Pierucci raised a Point of Order:

Kelleen Potter, Executive Director, UT Ranked Choice Voting, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Robert Pratt, spoke in favor of the bill.

Adam Teuscher, Volunteer, UT Approves, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Michelle Stallings spoke in favor of the bill.

Mathew Germer, Elections Fellow, R Street Institute, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mike Hansen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to pass H.J.R. 12 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. A. Stoddard

- Rep. B. Bolinder
- Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
- Rep. S. Gricius
- Rep. S. Hayes
- Rep. A. Maloy
- Rep. C. Musselman
- Rep. M. Petersen
- Rep. V. Peterson
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7. H.B. 322 Budget Reporting Requirements (Ballard, M.G.)

Rep. Ballard presented the bill w/ assistance of Clair Tobin Lence, LFA.

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to reconsider actions on H.J.R. 12. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. A. Stoddard

- Rep. B. Bolinder
- Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
- Rep. S. Gricius
- Rep. S. Hayes
- Rep. A. Maloy
- Rep. C. Musselman
- Rep. M. Petersen
- Rep. V. Peterson
- Rep. C. Pierucci
- Rep. N. Thurston
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8. H.J.R. 12 Joint Rules Resolution - Budget Efficiency Modifications (Ballard, M.G.)

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to replace H.J.R. 12 with 1st Substitute H.J.R. 12. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. A. Stoddard

- Rep. B. Bolinder
- Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
- Rep. S. Gricius
- Rep. S. Hayes
- Rep. A. Maloy
- Rep. C. Musselman
- Rep. M. Petersen
- Rep. V. Peterson
- Rep. C. Pierucci
- Rep. N. Thurston
- Rep. D. Welton

MOTION: Rep. Thurston moved to pass 1st Substitute H.J.R. 12 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Musselman
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. D. Welton

Rep. A. Stoddard

9. H.B. 322 Budget Reporting Requirements (*Ballard, M.G.*)

MOTION: Rep. Dailey-Provost moved to pass H.B. 322 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. C. Musselman
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. N. Thurston
Rep. D. Welton

Rep. A. Stoddard

MOTION: Rep. Pierucci moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
Rep. S. Gricius
Rep. S. Hayes
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Rep. C. Musselman
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Chair Musselman adjourned the meeting.