



MINUTES

SENATE BUSINESS AND LABOR STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 8, 2023 | 2:00 p.m. | 220 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Curtis S. Bramble, Chair
Sen. Nate Blouin
Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore
Sen. Don L. Ipson
Sen. Karen Kwan

Sen. Daniel McCay
Sen. Scott D. Sandall
Sen. Todd D. Weiler

Staff Present:

Adam J. Sweet, Policy Analyst
Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Bramble called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Sen. Weiler assumed the chair.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2023, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay

1. S.B. 180 Private Postsecondary Education Modifications (*Bramble, C.*)

Sen. Bramble presented the bill with the assistance of Katie Hart, Director, Division of Consumer Protection.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to pass S.B. 180 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay

2. S.B. 159 Occupational Injuries Amendments (*Bramble, C.*)

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to replace S.B. 159 with 2nd Substitute S.B. 159. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay

Sen. Bramble presented the bill with the assistance of Ryan Andrus, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, WCF Insurance.

Scott Lythgoe, Utah Association for Justice, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jack Tidrow, President, Professional Firefighters of Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 159 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

Chair Bramble resumed the chair.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to place 2nd Substitute S.B. 159 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

3. S.B. 154 Adoption Amendments (*Wilson, C.*)

MOTION: Sen. Blouin moved to replace S.B. 154 with 1st Substitute S.B. 154. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

Sen. Wilson presented the bill with the assistance of Robin Fretwell Wilson, Law Professor.

Marina Lowe, Policy Director, Equality Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Stan Rasmussen, Vice President of Government Affairs, Sutherland Institute, spoke in favor of the bill.

Lance Rich, Attorney, Kirton McConkie, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Donna Pope, Heart to Heart Adoptions, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 154 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 2 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 2
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. K. Kwan

Absent - 2
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay

4. S.B. 172 Vehicle Sales Amendments (Ipson, D.)

Sen. Ipson presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to amend S.B. 172 with Amendment #2. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Amendment 2
S.B. 172

1. Page 8, Lines 220 through 233:

- 220 (14) (a) Subject to Subsection (14)(b), a licensed vehicle dealer may:
- 221 (i) sell a vehicle to a buyer without the buyer being required to appear in person at one
- 222 of the dealer's licensed places of business;
- 223 (ii) collect a buyer's signature or buyer's electronic signature on a purchase contract and related purchase
- documents;
- 224 (iii) collect payment electronically; and
- 225 (iv) deliver a vehicle to a buyer at the buyer's home or place of business, or at one of
- 226 the dealer's licensed places of business.
- 227 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (14)(a), a vehicle purchase contract is not executed
- 228 until the contract is countersigned by the licensed dealer at one of the dealer's licensed places of
- 229 business.
- 230 (c) Notwithstanding Subsections (14)(a) and (b), Subsection (1)(n) is construed to
- 231 prevent a dealer, salesperson, or any other representative of a dealership from selling,
- 232 displaying, or offering a motor vehicle for sale from the dealer's, salesperson's, or any other
- 233 representative's home or other unlicensed location.

Yeas - 6
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass S.B. 172 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay

5. H.B. 94 Reverse Mortgage Amendments (Brooks, W.)

MOTION: Sen. Blouin moved to replace H.B. 94 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 94. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay

Rep. Brooks presented the bill with the assistance of Jeff Adams, Senior Reverse Mortgage Specialist, Veritas Funding.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 94 out favorably. The motion failed with a vote of 3 - 3 - 2.

Yeas - 3
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 3
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. T. Weiler

Absent - 2
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay

6. 2nd Sub. H.B. 42 Technology Commercialization Amendments (Stenquist, J.)

Rep. Stenquist presented the bill.

Abby Hunsacker, Policy Advisor, Governor's Office of Economic Opportunities, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kelvyn Cullimore, Chief Executive Officer, BioUtah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 42 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

7. 1st Sub. H.B. 113 Motor Vehicle Insurance Revisions (Judkins, M.)

Rep. Judkins presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to replace 1st Substitute H.B. 113 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 113. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay

Rep. Judkins spoke to the substitute.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 113 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay

8. 1st Sub. H.B. 223 Drug and Alcohol Enforcement Amendments (*Burton, J.*)

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to replace 1st Substitute H.B. 223 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 223. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Sen. D. McCay

Rep. Burton presented the bill with the assistance of Colonel Michael Rapich, Utah Highway Patrol.

Sen. Weiler assumed the chair.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 223 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay

9. 3rd Sub. H.B. 283 Unemployment Insurance Amendments (*Lee, T.*)

Rep. Lee presented the bill with the assistance of Kevin Kehr, Eligibility Specialist, Department of Workforce Services.

Sen. Bramble resumed the chair.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 283 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 1 - 2.

Yeas - 5
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 1
Sen. N. Blouin

Absent - 2
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay

With no objection, Sen. Weiler asked committee members to accept Sen. Bramble's request to submit a yes vote for 2nd Substitute H.B. 223.

10. 1st Sub. H.B. 289 Blockchain Provider Registration (*Lee, T.*)

Rep. Lee presented the bill with the assistance of David Lemky, Chief Financial Officer, Giddy.

Demitri Haddad, Senior Product Manager, Elevate United, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kori Ann Edwards, Managing Director, Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 289 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

11. H.B. 183 Firefighter Retirement Revisions (Welton, D.)

Rep. Welton presented the bill.

Dee Larsen, General Counsel, Utah Retirement System, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to pass H.B. 183 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

MOTION: Sen. Blouin moved to place H.B. 183 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

12. 4th Sub. H.B. 211 Real Estate Amendments (Musselman, C.R.)

Rep. Musselman presented the bill with the assistance of Jonathan Stewart, Director, Division of Real Estate.

Erin Wynn, Lobbyist, Utah Association of Realtors, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass 4th Substitute H.B. 211 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

13. 1st Sub. H.B. 109 Veteran Dependent Tuition Amendments (Musselman, C.R.)

Rep. Musselman presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 109 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 4
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

14. 2nd Sub. H.B. 194 Motor Vehicle Dealer Requirements (Jack, C.)

Rep. Jack presented the bill.

Adam Jones, Executive Director, RV Dealers Association, Independent Dealers Solutions, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jason Bickmore, Assistant Director, New Car Dealers of Utah (NCDU), spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 194 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. T. Weiler

MOTION: Sen. Blouin moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. T. Weiler

Chair Bramble adjourned the meeting at 4:21 p.m.

NOTE: S.B. 0096, S.B. 0097, H.B. 0243, S.B. 0136 were not discussed in the meeting.