



MINUTES

HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, February 13, 2023 | 4:00 p.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Walt Brooks, Chair
Rep. Steven J. Lund, Vice Chair
Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion
Rep. Bridger Bolinder
Rep. Scott H. Chew
Rep. Tim Jimenez
Rep. Michael L. Kohler
Rep. Doug Owens
Rep. Thomas W. Peterson

Rep. Rex P. Shipp
Rep. Casey Snider
Rep. Keven J. Stratton
Rep. Christine F. Watkins

Members Absent:

Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Charley Hart, 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 Brooks called the meeting to order.

MOTION: Rep. Lund moved to approve the 2/10/23 minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 7

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton

1. S.C.R. 2 Concurrent Resolution Regarding the Environmental Impact of Vehicle Idling (*Fillmore, L.*)

Sen. Fillmore presented the bill.

Norma Wills, League of Women Voters, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to pass S.C.R. 2 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 1 - 4.

Yeas - 9

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 1

Rep. S. Lund

Absent - 4

Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. C. Snider

2. 3rd Sub. S.B. 118 Water Efficient Landscaping Incentives (*Sandall, S.*)

Sen. Sandall presented the bill w/ assistance of Candice Hasenyager, Director, UT DWR, and Mark Stratford, General Counsel, Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District.

Abby Hunsaker, Policy Maker, UEOC, spoke in favor of the bill.

Katie Newburn, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kelly Hannah, Principal Broker, Eightline Real Estate, spoke in favor of the bill.

Michael Larson, President, UACD, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Owens moved to pass 3rd Substitute S.B. 118 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

3. 2nd Sub. S.B. 113 Local Agricultural Amendments (Sandall, S.)

Sen. Sandall presented the bill.

Craig Cook, President, Humane Society of UT, spoke in favor of the bill.

Terry Camp, VP, Public Policy, UT Farm Bureau, spoke in favor of the bill.

Allie Molinaro, Compassion in World Farming, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Rep. Lund raised a Point of Order:

MOTION: Rep. Bolinder moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 113 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
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Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

4. H.B. 397 Urban Farming Assessment Amendments (Kohler, M.)

Rep. Kohler presented the bill.

Terry Camp, VP, Public Policy, UT Farm Bureau, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Lund moved to pass H.B. 397 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
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5. 2nd Sub. S.B. 108 Animal Shelter Revisions (McKell, M.)

Sen. McKell presented the bill w/ assistance of Steve Hiatt, US Humane Society.

Terry Camp, VP, Public Policy, UT Farm Bureau, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 108 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
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6. S.B. 119 Per Capita Consumptive Use (McKell, M.)

Sen. McKell presented the bill w/ assistance of Fred Finlinson, General Council, Prep 60 Water Conservancy Districts, and Mark Stratford, General Counsel, Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District.

Zachary Frankel, Executive Director, URC, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jim Schmidt, Citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Katie Pappas, UT Citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Katie Newborn, UT Citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Francis Benfell, UT Chapter - Sierra Club, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Snider moved to pass S.B. 119 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 1 - 3.



Yeas - 10

Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 1

Rep. G. Bennion

Absent - 3

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

MOTION: Rep. Kohler moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 11

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Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

Chair Brooks adjourned the meeting.