



# MINUTES

## HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 | 8:00 a.m. | 120 Senate Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. James A. Dunnigan, Chair  
Rep. Michael L. Kohler, Vice Chair  
Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion  
Rep. Paul A. Cutler  
Rep. Matthew H. Gwynn  
Rep. Jason B. Kyle  
Rep. Trevor Lee

Rep. Rosemary T. Lesser  
Rep. Anthony E. Loubet  
Rep. Jordan D. Teuscher  
Rep. R. Neil Walter

**Staff Present:**

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst  
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Kohler called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Walter moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2023 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 9

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. J. Teuscher  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. J. Kyle

**1. H.B. 309 County Recorder Amendments (*Judkins, M.*)**

Rep. Judkins presented the bill.

Shelley Brennan, Duchesne County Recorder, spoke in support of the bill.

Rachael Ortiz, Vice President, Utah Land Title Association, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Walter moved to replace H.B. 309 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 309. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

**MOTION:** Rep. Bennion moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 309 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

**2. H.B. 392 Rural County Health Care Facilities Tax Amendments (*Elison, J.*)**

Rep. Elison presented the bill assisted by Chief Tom Colman, Hurricane Valley Fire District.

Jordan Hess, citizen, Washington City, spoke in support of the bill.

LeGrande Bitter, Executive Director, Utah Association of Special Districts, spoke in support of the bill.

Andy Smith, Executive Director, Rural EMS Directors Association of Utah, spoke in support of the bill.

Malah Armstrong, Vice President, Utah Taxpayers Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Walter moved to replace H.B. 392 with 3rd Substitute H.B. 392. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

**MOTION:** Rep. Walter moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 392 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

Rep. Pierucci presented the bill.

**3. H.B. 378 Fireworks Amendments (*Pierucci, C.*)**

**MOTION:** Rep. Kyle moved to replace H.B. 378 with 1st Substitute H.B. 378. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

**MOTION:** Rep. Kyle moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 378 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

**4. H.B. 418 Canine Body Armor Restricted Account Modifications (*Dunnigan, J.*)**

Rep. Dunnigan presented the bill assisted by Col. Michael Rapich, Utah Highway Patrol.

**MOTION:** Rep. Gwynn moved to replace H.B. 418 with 1st Substitute H.B. 418. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

**MOTION:** Rep. Lesser moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 418 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.



Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

**MOTION:**

Rep. Cutler moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion  
Rep. P. Cutler  
Rep. J. Dunnigan  
Rep. M. Gwynn  
Rep. M. Kohler  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. T. Lee  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Teuscher

Chair Kohler adjourned the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

NOTE: H.B. 0396 was not discussed in the meeting.