



MINUTES

SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 | 4:00 p.m. | 215 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Ronald M. Winterton, Chair
Sen. Nate Blouin
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. Keith Grover
Sen. Derrin R. Owens

Sen. Stephanie Pitcher
Sen. Scott D. Sandall
Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Staff Present:

Julie Humberstone, Policy Analyst
Makelle Winger, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Winterton called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to approve the minutes for the February 9th, 2023, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. E. Vickers

1. 2nd Sub. H.B. 150 Emergency Water Shortages Amendments (*Albrecht, C.*)

Rep. Carl Albrecht presented the bill with the assistance of Teresa Wilhelmsen, State Engineer, Division of Water Rights (DWR). They responded to questions from the committee.

[HB0150 DWR Letter](#)

[HB0150 Supporters' Letter](#)

[HB0150 Eagle Forum Letter](#)

Terry Camp, Vice President of Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau, spoke in favor of the bill.

Dale Pierson, Executive Director, Rural Water Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kelly Pehrson, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF), spoke in favor of the bill.

Maryann Christensen, Executive Director, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in favor of the bill.

Steve Clyde, Attorney, Utah Water Task Force, spoke in favor of the bill.

Michael Larson, President, Utah Association of Conservation Districts, spoke in favor of the bill.

Warren Peterson, private citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Owens moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 150 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 8

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

2. H.B. 187 Veterinary Practice Amendments (Kohler, M.)

Rep. Michael Kohler presented the bill with the assistance of Casey Hill, Lobbyist, Utah Veterinary Medical Association. They responded to questions from the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to amend H.B. 187 with Amendment #2. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 1 - 1.

Amendment 2
H.B. 187

1. Page 1, Lines 12 through 14:

12 This bill:

13 ▶ exempts {~~an individual who is testing~~} certain individuals who test a bovine for pregnancy from the requirement to

14 be licensed under the Veterinary Practice Act.

2. Page 4, Lines 99 through 102:

99 perform teeth floating; [and]

100 (b) administers or uses a sedative drug only if the individual is under the direct

101 supervision of a veterinarian in accordance with Subsection 58-28-502(2)(a)(iv)[-]; and

102 (17) an individual testing a bovine for pregnancy{~~-~~} if the individual has:

(a) obtained a masters degree or higher in animal reproductive physiology; and

(b) completed at least 8 hours of continuing education on animal reproductive physiology within the previous 2-year period.

Yeas - 6

Nays - 1

Absent - 1

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Sen. D. Owens

Sen. S. Pitcher

Terry Camp spoke in favor of the bill.

Jeff Hartley, private citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass H.B. 187 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 0.



Yeas - 8

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 8

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. K. Grover
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Chair Winterton adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.