



MINUTES

HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 | 4:00 p.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. James A. Dunnigan, Chair
Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion
Rep. Paul A. Cutler
Rep. Matthew H. Gwynn
Rep. Jason Kyle
Rep. Trevor Lee
Rep. Rosemary T. Lesser
Rep. Anthony E. Loubet

Rep. Jordan D. Teuscher
Rep. R. Neil Walter

Members Absent:

Rep. Michael L. Kohler, Vice Chair

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.

Chair Dunnigan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Lesser moved to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 7

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. M. Gwynn
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

1. H.B. 173 Citizen Empowerment Task Force (Birkeland, K.)

Rep. Birkeland presented the bill.

Nichole Mason, President, Utah Parents United, spoke in support of the bill.

Daniel Burton, Utah Attorney General's Office, spoke in support of the bill.

Taz Biesinger, Utah Home Builders Association, spoke in support of the bill.

Christopher Crockett, Chief Civil Deputy, Weber County Attorney's Office, spoke in support of the bill.

Scott Broadhead, Tooele County Attorney, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to replace H.B. 173 with 3rd Substitute H.B. 173. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 9
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. M. Gwynn
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. J. Teuscher

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to amend 3rd Substitute H.B. 173 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Amendment 1
3rd Sub. H.B. 173

1. Page 2, Lines 39 through 44:
39 (3) The task force comprises ~~{five}~~ seven members, as follows:
40 (a) three members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
41 House or Representatives, no more than two of whom may be from the same political party;
42 (b) one member of the Senate, appointed by the president of the Senate; ~~{and}~~
43 (c) the attorney general, or a designee of the attorney general~~{-}~~ ;
(d) one member of the Utah League of Cities and Towns; and
(e) one member of the Utah Association of Counties.
44 (4) (a) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one of the members

Yeas - 9
Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. M. Gwynn
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. J. Teuscher

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Loubet made a substitute motion to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 173 out favorably. He withdrew his motion.

MOTION: Rep. Kyle moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 173 out favorably as amended. 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. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Rep. M. Kohler

2. H.B. 343 Government Records Modifications (Moss, J.)

Rep. J. Moss presented the bill assisted by Chris Bramwell, Government Operations Privacy Officer, State of Utah.

Kenneth Williams, State Archivist of Utah, spoke in support of the bill.

Dr. Ronald Mortenson, citizen, spoke in support of the bill.

Denise Farnsworth, Commissioner, Personal Privacy Oversight Committee, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to replace H.B. 343 with 1st Substitute H.B. 343. 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. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Kohler

MOTION: Rep. Teuscher moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 343 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. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Kohler

3. H.B. 493 Solid Waste Management Amendments (*Jimenez, T.*)

Rep. Jimenez presented the bill assisted by Prapti Muhuri, Associate Director, American Chemistry Council.

MOTION: Rep. Gwynn moved to replace H.B. 493 with 1st Substitute H.B. 493. 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. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Kohler

MOTION: Rep. Walter moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 493 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. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Kohler

4. H.C.R. 7 Concurrent Resolution Supporting the Creation of the Great Salt Lake Sentinel Landscape (Lee, T.)

Rep. Lee presented the bill assisted by Brian Garrett, Deputy Director, Utah Department of Veterans and Military Affairs.

MOTION: Rep. Cutler moved to replace H.C.R. 7 with 1st Substitute H.C.R. 7. 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. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Kohler

MOTION: Rep. Gwynn moved to pass out 1st Substitute H.C.R. 7 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. J. Kyle
Rep. T. Lee
Rep. R. Lesser
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Kohler

5. S.B. 199 Local Land Use Amendments (McKell, M.)

Sen. McKell presented the bill.

Taz Biesinger spoke in support of the bill.

Jackie Larson, citizen of Spanish Fork, spoke in support of the bill.

Tracy Taylor, Chair, Wasatch Tax Payers Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Matt Barber, citizen of Utah County, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Teuscher moved to pass S.B. 199 out favorably.

Rep. Gwynn assumed the chair.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Cutler moved a Substitute Motion to amend S.B. 199. Rep. Cutler withdrew his motion.

Chair Dunnigan resumed the chair.

MOTION: Rep. Teuscher's underlying motion to pass S.B. 199 out favorably was voted on. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 4 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. M. Gwynn
Rep. A. Loubet
Rep. J. Teuscher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 4

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. R. Lesser

Absent - 2

Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. T. Lee

MOTION: Rep. Walter moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 9

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. T. Lee

Chair Dunnigan adjourned the meeting at 5:32 p.m.