



UTAH STATE

LEGISLATURE

# MINUTES

## SENATE TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 23, 2023 | 8:00 a.m. | 220 Senate Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. Wayne A. Harper, Chair  
Sen. Jacob L. Anderegg  
Sen. Don L. Ipson  
Sen. Karen Kwan  
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe

**Members Absent:**

President J. Stuart Adams  
Sen. Ann Millner

**Staff Present:**

Rachel Brooks, Policy Analyst  
Karen C. Allred, 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 Harper called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

**MOTION:** Sen. Kwan moved to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023 minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 2 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 2

Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. K. Kwan

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. J. Anderegg  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

### 1. S.B. 264 Modified Car Emissions Requirements (*Johnson, J.*)

Sen. John Johnson presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Kwan moved to pass S.B. 264 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. K. Kwan  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. J. Anderegg  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. A. Millner

### 2. 1st Sub. H.B. 389 Electrical Power Delivery Quality Amendments (*Jack, C.*)

Rep. Colin Jack presented the bill.

[Electrical Power Delivery](#)

Tom Carter, Director of Government Affairs, Rocky Mountain Power, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rikki Hrenko-Browning, President, Utah Petroleum Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nathaniel Johnson, Executive Director, Utah Rural Electric Cooperative Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mike Squires, Government Affairs Director, Utah Associated Municipal Systems, spoke in favor of the bill.

George Chapman, citizen, via Zoom, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Riebe moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 389 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. J. Anderegg  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. K. Kwan  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. A. Millner

### **3. 3rd Sub. H.B. 426 Statewide Energy Policy Amendments (*Moss, J.*)**

Rep. Jefferson Moss presented the bill with the assistance of Joel Ferry, Executive Director, Utah Department of Natural Resources.

Jeff Peterson, Utah Rural Electric Cooperative Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rikki Hrenko-Browning, President, Utah Petroleum Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Tom Carter, Director of Government Affairs, Rocky Mountain Power, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mike Squires, Government Affairs Director, Utah Associated Municipal Systems, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Riebe moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 426 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. K. Kwan  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. J. Anderegg  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. A. Millner

### **4. 3rd Sub. S.B. 105 Traffic Enforcement Amendments (*Stevenson, J.*)**

Sen. Jerry Stevenson presented the bill.

Leah Hansen, citizen, via Zoom, spoke in opposition to the bill.

George Chapman, citizen, via Zoom, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Carlos Braceras, Executive Director, Utah Department Of Transportation, spoke in favor of the bill.

David Spatafore, Legislative Liaison, Utah Chiefs of Police Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Riebe moved to pass 3rd Substitute S.B. 105 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 2 - 2.

Yeas - 3

Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 2

Sen. J. Anderegg  
Sen. K. Kwan

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. A. Millner

Sen. Anderegg assumed the chair.

### **5. S.B. 211 Net Metering Energy Amendments (*Harper, W.*)**

Sen. Wayne A. Harper presented the bill.

Jeff Peterson, Utah Rural Electric Cooperative Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Chris Parker, Director, Utah Division of Public Utilities, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jan Newman, Chief Revenue Officer, Lumio (a residential solar company), spoke in favor of the bill.

Cody Oram, Vice President of Field Compliance, Lumio, and Master Electrician, spoke in favor of the bill.

Michelle Beck, Director, Office of Consumer Services, spoke in opposition to the bill.

John Cox, Vice-president of Government Affairs, Rocky Mountain Power spoke in opposition to the bill.

Brian Schonbeck, Chief Operations Officer, Lumio, via Zoom, spoke in favor of the bill.

Eliza Cowie, Policy Director, o2 Utah, via Zoom, spoke in favor of the bill.

Joan Entwistle, Member, Sierra Club Utah Chapter Legislative Committee, via Zoom, spoke in favor of the bill.

Monica Hilding, Chair, Utah Environmental Caucus, via Zoom, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Riebe moved to send the bill to interim for study.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Sen. Kwan made a substitute motion to pass S.B. 211 out favorably.

Sen Kwan withdrew the substitute motion.

**MOTION:** Sen. Riebe moved to send the bill to interim committee. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

<u>Yeas - 4</u>	<u>Nays - 0</u>	<u>Absent - 3</u>
Sen. J. Anderegg		Sen. J. Adams
Sen. W. Harper		Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan		Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe		

**MOTION:** Sen. Kwan moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

<u>Yeas - 4</u>	<u>Nays - 0</u>	<u>Absent - 3</u>
Sen. J. Anderegg		Sen. J. Adams
Sen. W. Harper		Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan		Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe		

Acting Chair Anderegg adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.