



# MINUTES

## SENATE REVENUE AND TAXATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 23, 2023 | 4:00 p.m. | 210 Senate Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. Daniel McCay, Chair  
Sen. Curtis S. Bramble  
Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore

Sen. Wayne A. Harper  
Sen. Don L. Ipson  
Sen. Chris H. Wilson

**Staff Present:**

Chris Stitt, Policy Analyst  
Tisha Gibby, 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 McCay called the meeting to order at 4:23 p.m.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to approve the February 22, 2023 minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. C. Wilson

### 1. S.B. 249 Electric Energy Storage Amendments (*Blouin, N.*)

Sen. Nate Blouin presented the bill.

Kelly Francone, Executive Director, Utah Association of Energy Users, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Escamilla moved to pass S.B. 249 out favorably. The motion failed with a vote of 2 - 3 - 3.

Yeas - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 3

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. W. Harper

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. C. Wilson

### 2. S.B. 268 Lithium Severance Tax Amendments (*Blouin, N.*)

Sen. Blouin presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Escamilla moved to move to the next agenda item. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. C. Wilson

### 3. S.B. 263 Electronic Cigarette and Other Nicotine Product Tax Amendments (*Bramble, C.*)

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to replace S.B. 263 with 1st Substitute S.B. 263. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. C. Wilson

Sen. Bramble presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 263 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. C. Wilson

**4. 2nd Sub. H.B. 301 Transportation Tax Amendments (Schultz, M.)**

**MOTION:** Sen. Harper moved to replace 2nd Substitute H.B. 301 with 3rd Substitute H.B. 301. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. C. Wilson

Sen. Harper presented the bill with the assistance of Carlos Braceras, Utah Department of Transportation.

Brent Budge, citizen, spoke to the bill.

Nick Schou, Government Affairs, Western Resource Advocates, spoke to the bill.

David Bennett, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Madilyn Morgan, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Caroline Gleich, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Katie Pappas, citizen, spoke against the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Harper moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 301 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 1 - 1.

Yeas - 6  
Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 1  
Sen. L. Escamilla

Absent - 1  
Sen. C. Wilson

**5. 1st Sub. H.B. 345 Local District Property Tax Amendments (*Peterson, K.*)**

Rep. Karen Peterson presented the bill.

Rusty Cannon, Utah Taxpayers Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 345 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6  
Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 0

Absent - 2  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. C. Wilson

**6. H.B. 381 State Finance Review Commission Amendments (*Stenquist, J.*)**

Rep. Jeff Stenquist presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to pass H.B. 381 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6  
Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. D. McCay

Nays - 0

Absent - 2  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. C. Wilson

**7. 2nd Sub. H.B. 365 Voter Affiliation Amendments (*Teuscher, J.*)**

[H.B. 365 Voter Affiliation Amendments](#)

Rep. Jordan Teuscher presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to replace 2nd Substitute H.B. 365 with 3rd Substitute H.B. 365. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. McCay  
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Ipson

Dalane England, Utah Eagle Forum and United Womens Forum, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bramble moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 365 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 1 - 1.

Yeas - 6

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. McCay  
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 1

Sen. L. Escamilla

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Ipson

**8. 1st Sub. H.B. 260 Property Tax Income Requirements (*Briscoe, J.*)**

Rep. Joel Briscoe presented the bill.

Danny Harris, Advocacy Director, AARP Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jerry Schmidt, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Burt Harvey, Property Tax Administrator, Utah County Auditors Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Escamilla moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 260 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 3 - 1.

Yeas - 4

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. D. McCay

Absent - 1

Sen. L. Fillmore

**9. 3rd Sub. H.B. 130 Adoption Tax Credit (*Shipp, R.P.*)**

Rep. Rex Shipp presented the bill.

Nicholeen Peck, President, Worldwide Organization for Women, spoke in favor of the bill.

Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Cullimore moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 130 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.



Yeas - 6

Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. D. McCay  
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. L. Fillmore

**MOTION:** Sen. Escamilla moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. L. Escamilla  
Sen. W. Harper  
Sen. D. Ipson  
Sen. D. McCay  
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. C. Bramble  
Sen. L. Fillmore

Chair McCay adjourned the meeting at 5:56 p.m.