



MINUTES

SENATE REVENUE AND TAXATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Monday, February 27, 2023 | 8:10 a.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.

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

1. S.B. 283 Prohibiting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Higher Education (*Johnson, J.*)

Sen. John Johnson presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Wilson moved to replace S.B. 283 with 1st Substitute S.B. 283.

Reed Hammond, SUU student, spoke to the bill.

Sen. Wilson assumed the chair.

Dave Woolstenhulme, Commissioner, Utah System of Higher Education, spoke to the bill.

Taylor Randall, President, University of Utah, spoke to the bill.

Dr. Dianne McAdams Jones, citizen, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to replace S.B. 283 with 1st Substitute S.B. 283. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. McCay

James Evans, former Utah senator, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to move 1st Substitute S.B. 283 to an interim study and to move to the next agenda item. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. D. McCay

2. S.B. 279 Sales Tax Modifications (Weiler, T.)

Sen. Todd Weiler presented the bill.

Rusty Cannon, President, Utah Taxpayers Association, spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to pass S.B. 279 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 1 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 1

Sen. L. Fillmore

Absent - 2

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. McCay

3. S.B. 281 Modifications to Military Income Tax (Millner, A.)

Sen. McCay resumed the chair.

Sen. Ann Millner presented the bill.

David Peterson, National Guard Association of Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass S.B. 281 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. W. Harper

4. S.B. 294 Tax Levy Amendments (Owens, D.R.)

Sen. Derrin Owens presented the bill with the assistance of Darin Clark, Business Administrator, Juab School District.

Rusty Cannon spoke to the bill.

Jay Blain, Director of Policy and Research, Utah Education Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to pass S.B. 294 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. W. Harper

5. S.B. 256 Severance Tax Revenue Amendments (*Hinkins, D.*)

Sen. Hinkins presented the bill with the assistance of John Baza, Director, Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Rebecca Rockwell, Commissioner, Utah State Tax Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to pass S.B. 256 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper

6. 3rd Sub. H.B. 392 Rural County Health Care Facilities Tax Amendments (*Elison, J.*)

Rep. Joseph Elison presented the bill with the assistance of Tom Kuhlmann, Hurricane Valley Fire Chief.

Rusty Cannon spoke to the bill.

Andy Smith, Rural Emergency Medical Services Directors Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass 3rd Substitute H.B. 392 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper

7. H.B. 399 Corporation Reinstatement Amendments (*Loubet, A.*)

Rep. Anthony Loubet presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to replace H.B. 399 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 399. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper

Chris Gamvroulas, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Bramble moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 399 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson

Sen. Wilson assumed the chair.

8. 1st Sub. H.B. 54 Tax Revisions (*Eliason, S.*)

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to replace 1st Substitute H.B. 54 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 54. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper

Sen. McCay presented the bill.

Dr. Bill Cosgrove, Utah Pediatricians, spoke against the bill.

Stefanie Jones, Community Action Partnership of Utah, spoke to the bill.

Matthew Weinstein, Voices for Utah Children, spoke to the bill.

Rusty Cannon spoke to the bill.

Heather Andrews, State Director, Americans for Prosperity, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 54 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to approve the February 23, 2023 minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper

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



Yeas - 4

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. W. Harper

Acting Chair Wilson adjourned the meeting at 9:42 a.m.