



MINUTES

HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, February 27, 2023 | 8:10 a.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Walt Brooks, Chair
Rep. Steven J. Lund, Vice Chair
Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion
Rep. Bridger Bolinder
Rep. Scott H. Chew
Rep. Tim Jimenez
Rep. Michael L. Kohler
Rep. Doug Owens
Rep. Thomas W. Peterson

Rep. Rex P. Shipp
Rep. Casey Snider
Rep. Keven J. Stratton
Rep. Christine F. Watkins

Members Absent:

Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Charley Hart, Policy Analyst
Ashley Dibble, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Lund called the meeting to order.

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 6.

Yeas - 8

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 6

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton

1. H.B. 523 Egg Retailer Amendments (Wilcox, R.)

Rep. Wilcox presented the bill w/ assistance of Wade Garrett, VP, UFB.

Wade Garrett, VP, UFB, spoke in favor of the bill.

Symbria Patterson, Policy Analyst, Red Acre Center, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to amend H.B. 523 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Amendment 1
H.B. 523

1. Page 2, Lines 33 through 36:
33 (5) The Department of Health and Human Services, or a ~~{county}~~ local health department,
34 may not prevent the sale of shell eggs from a small producer to an ultimate consumer unless the
35 Department of Health and Human Services, or the county health department, establishes that
36 the shell eggs:

Yeas - 12

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

MOTION:

Rep. Chew moved to pass H.B. 523 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. K. Stratton

2. H.B. 538 Water Usage Amendments (Owens, D.)

Rep. Owens presented the bill.

Dani Palmer, Executive VP, UEF, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ernie John, President, American Fork Irrigation, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Lynn de Freitas, President, Friends of Salt Lake, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mark Stratford, General Counsel, Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District, spoke to the bill.

Soren Simonson, Executive Director, Jordan River Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rick Smith, resident, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Kael Weston, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION:

Rep. Brooks moved to replace H.B. 538 with 1st Substitute H.B. 538. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 13

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION:

Rep. Brooks moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 538 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 3 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 3

Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. K. Stratton

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Schultz

3. S.B. 147 Department of Environmental Quality Adjudicative Proceedings Amendments (McKell, M.)

Sen. McKell presented the bill.

MOTION:

Rep. Snider moved to pass S.B. 147 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. D. Owens
Rep. M. Schultz

4. 1st Sub. S.B. 158 Water Exactions Amendments (McKell, M.)

Sen. McKell presented the bill.

MOTION:

Rep. Watkins moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 158 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. D. Owens
Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Brooks moved to saunter. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Rep. G. Bennion
Rep. B. Bolinder
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. S. Chew
Rep. T. Jimenez
Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. D. Owens
Rep. M. Schultz

Chair Lund called the meeting to order.

5. H.J.R. 23 Joint Resolution Regarding Federal Funds for National Park Reopening (Ivory, K.)

Rep. Ivory presented the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Shipp moved to pass H.J.R. 23 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 13

Rep. G. Bennion
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Rep. M. Kohler
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Peterson
Rep. R. Shipp
Rep. C. Snider
Rep. K. Stratton
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. M. Schultz

6. H.J.R. 24 Joint Resolution Encouraging Support for the Houses Act (Ivory, K.)

Rep. Ivory presented the bill.

David Damschen, President & CEO, UT Housing Corporation, spoke in favor of the bill.

Erin Wynn, UT Association of Realtors, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jake Garfield, Deputy Director, PLPCO, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

MOTION: Rep. Stratton moved to pass H.J.R. 24 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 3 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 3

Absent - 1

Rep. B. Bolinder

Rep. G. Bennion

Rep. M. Schultz

Rep. W. Brooks

Rep. D. Owens

Rep. S. Chew

Rep. C. Snider

Rep. T. Jimenez

Rep. M. Kohler

Rep. S. Lund

Rep. T. Peterson

Rep. R. Shipp

Rep. K. Stratton

Rep. C. Watkins

MOTION: Rep. Shipp moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 13

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. G. Bennion

Rep. M. Schultz

Rep. B. Bolinder

Rep. W. Brooks

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Chair Lund adjourned the meeting.