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SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, February 27, 2023 | 4:00 p.m. | 215 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Michael S. Kennedy, Chair
Sen. Jacob L. Anderegg
Sen. Jen Plumb
Sen. Chris H. Wilson

Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Staff Present:

Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst
Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

Members Absent:

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

Chair Kennedy called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

1. 1st Sub. S.B. 155 Litigation Proceed Fund Amendments (Plumb, J.)

Sen. Jen Plumb presented the bill.

Rachel Craig, Government Affairs Manager, Association for Utah Community Health, spoke in favor of the bill.

Elizabeth Klc, Director, Utah Substance Use and Mental Health Advisory Council (USAHV+) spoke in favor of the bill.

Rick Cantrell, Chief of Staff, Office of the Utah Attorney General, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mary Jo McMillen, Executive Director, Utah Support Advocates for Recovery Awareness, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 155 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to approve the minutes of the February 22 and February 24, 2023, meetings. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

2. 1st Sub. H.B. 460 Settlement Fund Amendments (Ward, R.)

Rep. Raymond Ward presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 460 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

3. 1st Sub. H.B. 312 Patient Medical Record Access Amendments (*Dunnigan, J.*)

Rep. Jim Dunnigan presented the bill.

Jake Lee, Board Member, Utah Association for Justice, spoke in favor of the bill.

Gary Thorup, representing third-party service providers addressed by the bill, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Plumb moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 312 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

4. H.B. 437 Health Services Amendments (*Dunnigan, J.*)

Rep. Jim Dunnigan presented the bill.

Rachel Craig, Government Affairs Manager, Association for Utah Community Health, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to pass H.B. 437 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

5. 1st Sub. H.B. 468 Employment Screening Requirements (*Judkins, M.*)

Rep. Marsha Judkins presented the bill with the assistance of Carmen Richins, Department of Health and Human Services.

[Background Screening](#)

Elizabeth Klc, Director, Utah Substance Use and Mental Health Advisory Council (USAAV+), spoke in favor of the bill.

Destiny Garcia, Executive Director, Clean Slate Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Richard Nance, Former Director, Utah County Drug and Alcohol Prevention, representing himself, spoke in favor of the bill.

Corey Markisich, President, Association of Substance Abuse Professionals and Executive Director, Wasatch Recovery, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Plumb moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 468 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers

6. 2nd Sub. H.B. 429 Pregnant and Postpartum Inmate Amendments (*Pierucci, C.*)

Rep. Candice Pierucci presented the bill.

[Pregnant and Postpartum Inmate Amendments](#)

Ben Aldana, attorney, spoke in favor of the bill.

Anndrea Parrish, Program Director, Utah Department of Corrections, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 429 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers

7. 1st Sub. H.B. 473 Civil Commitment Examiner Requirements (*Abbott, N.*)

Rep. Nelson Abbott presented the bill with the assistance of Leslie Miles, Designated Examiner, Utah County, and Certified Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner.

Mark Brinton, General Counsel and Director of Government Affairs, Utah Medical Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Anderegg moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 473 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

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

Yeas - 3

Sen. J. Anderegg
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

Chair Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.