



MINUTES

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

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 | 2:00 p.m. | 220 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Wayne A. Harper, Chair
Sen. Heidi Balderree
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
Jackson Lewis, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Harper called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2023, meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe

1. S.B. 51 Road Construction Bid Limit Amendments (*Winterton, R.*)

Sen. Winterton presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass S.B. 51 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. A. Millner

Sen. Ipson presented the bill.

2. S.B. 74 Port of Entry Amendments (*Ipson, D.*)

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass S.B. 74 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 4

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. A. Millner

Sen. Sandall presented the bill.

3. S.B. 67 Public Thoroughfare Amendments (*Sandall, S.*)

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to replace S.B. 67 with 1st Substitute S.B. 67. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

Joe Ross, private citizen, spoke to the bill.

Terry Camp, Vice President of Public Policy of the Utah Farm Bureau Federation, spoke in favor of the bill.

Dave Erickson, Cache County Council, spoke in opposition to the bill.

David Dodds, Public Works Director for Garfield County, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass out 1st Substitute S.B. 67 with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 2 - 2.

Yeas - 3

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson

Nays - 2

Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. K. Riebe

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

Sen. Balderree assumed the chair

4. S.B. 99 Public Service Commission Amendments (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Harper presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass S.B. 99 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

Sen. Harper resumed the chair

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

Chair Harper adjourned the meeting at 2:32 PM