



MINUTES

SENATE BUSINESS AND LABOR STANDING COMMITTEE

Monday, January 22, 2024 | 2:00 p.m. | 210 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Curtis S. Bramble, Chair
Sen. Nate Blouin
Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore
Sen. Don L. Ipson
Sen. Karen Kwan

Sen. Daniel McCay
Sen. Scott D. Sandall
Sen. Todd D. Weiler

Staff Present:

Robert Wood, Policy Analyst
Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Bramble called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to approve the January 19, 2024 minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. Sandall assumed the chair.

1. 1st Sub. S.B. 106 Public Cold Bath Requirements (*Bramble, C.*)

Sen. Bramble presented the bill.

Wendy Parmley, Registered Nurse, Hope After Suicide, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Benjamin Harrison, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Chair Bramble moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 106 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. Bramble resumed the chair.

2. S.B. 102 Funeral Services Amendments (*Plumb, J.*)

MOTION: Sen. Blouin moved to replace S.B. 102 with 1st Substitute S.B. 102. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. Plum presented the bill.

Tyler Russon, Board of Directors, Utah Funeral Directors Association (UFDA), spoke in opposition to this bill.

AJ Foley, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to move to next item on the agenda The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 1 - 0.

Yeas - 7
Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 1
Sen. K. Cullimore

Absent - 0

3. S.B. 116 Eviction Notice Requirements Amendments (*Plumb, J.*)

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to amend S.B. 116 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 0.

Amendment 1
S.B. 0116

1. Page 4, Lines 95 through 106:

95 (d) If the tenant is not present when the order of restitution is enforced:

96 (i) the sheriff~~{-or}~~ , constable , or landlord shall notify the local animal control authority to take custody
97 of the companion animal;

(ii) the animal control authority shall respond to take custody of the companion animal within one business day after the day on which the sheriff, constable, or landlord provides the notice described in Subsection (4)(d)(i);

98 ~~{(ii)}~~ (iii) the landlord shall provide the animal control authority with the name and last
99 known contact information of the tenant; and

100 ~~{(iii)}~~ (iv) the ~~{landlord}~~ animal control authority shall post a notice at the premises in a visible place with the name and

101 contact information of the animal control authority or organization where the companion
102 animal is taken; and

103 ~~{(iv) if requested by the tenant, the landlord shall provide the name and contact~~
104 information of the animal control authority or organization where the companion animal is
105 taken.

106 (e) (i) The animal control authority or organization holding the companion animal may

Yeas - 8

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

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Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. Plum presented the bill.

[Animal Impoundment Notice](#)

Kristina Pulsipher, Executive Director, Ruff Haven Crisis Shelter, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to pass S.B. 116 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. D. McCay

4. H.B. 37 Joint Tenancy Presumption Amendments (*Musselman, C.R.*)

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to replace H.B. 37 with 1st Substitute H.B. 37. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. D. McCay

Rep. Musselman presented the bill.

Gary Christensen, Washington County Recorder, UAC Recorders Association, spoke in favor

Dani Palmer, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 37 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7
 Sen. N. Blouin
 Sen. C. Bramble
 Sen. K. Cullimore
 Sen. D. Ipson
 Sen. K. Kwan
 Sen. S. Sandall
 Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
 Sen. D. McCay

5. H.B. 257 Sex-Based Designations for Privacy, Anti-Bullying, and Women's Opportunities (Birkeland, K.)

[Utah Parents United](#)

[Utah Gay-Straight Coalition](#)

Rep. Birkeland presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Blouin moved to amend H.B. 257 with Amendment #4. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0.

Amendment 4
 H.B. 257

1. Page 1, Lines 23 through 24:

23 ▸ requires local education agencies to establish a privacy plan with parents and
 24 students in certain cases to address gender identity and fear of bullying;
 ▸ provides indemnification for government entities for certain claims;

2. Page 8, Line 229:

(4) (a) "Open to the general public" means that a privacy space is:
(i) freely accessible to a member of the general public;
(ii) accessible to an individual who has purchased a ticket, paid an entry fee, paid a membership fee, or otherwise paid to access the facility containing the relevant privacy space; or
(iii) accessible to a student of an institution of higher education described in Section 52B-2-101, either freely or as described in Subsection (4)(a)(ii).

(b) "Open to the general public" does not include a privacy space that is:
(i) only accessible to employees of a government entity; or
(ii) any area that is not normally accessible to the public.

229 ~~{(4)}~~ (5) "Privacy space" means the following spaces in which an individual has an

3. Page 8, Line 235:

235 ~~{(5)}~~ (6) "Publicly funded or publicly owned" means that:

4. Page 8, Line 240 through Page 9, Line 242:

240 ~~{(6)}~~ (7) "Sex-designated" means that a facility, program, or event is designated specifically
 241 for males or females and not the opposite sex.

242 ~~{(7)}~~ (8) "Single-occupant facility" means a restroom facility or locker room facility:

5. Page 9, Line 246:

246 ~~{(8)}~~ (9) "Unisex facility" means a facility that:

6. Page 10, Line 290:

290 The following actions within the public education system constitute a violation of Section 63G-31-201:

7. Page 14, Lines 407 through 410:

407 63G-31-401. Enforcement - Indemnification .

408 (1) The attorney general may enforce this chapter against any government entity in
 409 violation of this chapter by imposing a fine of up to \$10,000 per violation per day.

410 (2) The attorney general shall deposit fines under Subsection (1) into the General Fund.

(3) The state shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless a government entity acting under color of state law to enforce this chapter for any claims or damages, including court costs and attorney fees, that:
(a) arise as a result of this chapter; and
(b) are not covered by the government entity's insurance policies or any coverage agreement that the State Risk Management Fund issues.

Yeas - 8

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

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Marina Lowe, Policy Director, Equality Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Candace Duncan, Vice Chair, Utah Gay-Straight Coalition, spoke in favor of the bill.

Chris Wharton, Vice-Chair, Salt Lake City Council, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ryan Woods, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Eva Lopez Chaves, Member, Salt Lake City Council, spoke in opposition of the bill.

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

Kayla Aitken, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Goud Moragani, Chairman, Utah Gay-Straight Coalition, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kaiya Chidester, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Kristin Richey, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Will Carlson, Chief Policy Advisor, Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office, spoke in opposition to the the bill.

David Boettger, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kara Chaudhary, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Katherine Herrmann, citizen, spoke in favor of this bill.

Nan Seymour, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Geoffrey Heath, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Beth Hardy, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Corrine Johnson, President, Utah Parents United, spoke in favor of the bill.

Chrystal Legionaires, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Dy Thurgood, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Erin Reed, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Darby McNutt, citizen, spoke opposition to the bill.

Carie Arslanian, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Uriel Herszage, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Colleen Kuhn, clinical psychologist, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Gabriella Archuleta, Public Policy Director, YWCA Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Spencer Hardy, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ada Ebling, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Reverend Christopher T Scuderi, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Veronica Lange, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Neca Allgood, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Chase Clyde, Director, Utah Education Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Morrigan Mincer, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Benjamin Day, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Lucy Hansen, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Dustin Parmley, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Cameron Rose, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Kayla Williams, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Jace Rollins, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ellie Menlove, Legislative and Policy Counsel, ACLU of Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Di Lewis, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Megan Tyler, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Catherine Dillon (Palmer), citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Emily Heider, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Elio Curtis, citizen, spoke in opposition for the bill.

Rosemary Card, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Adam Gaudin, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Tara Grace Owen, Transgender Inclusion Project, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Brenna Moncur, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Maeve Hall, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Natalie Hall, citizen, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Bianca Cline, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jack Bellows, co-chair, Salt Lake Democratic Socialists of America, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to pass H.B. 257 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 3 - 0.

Yeas - 5

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 3

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. T. Weiler

Absent - 0

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 p.m. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 8

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Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Chair Bramble adjourned the meeting at 4:35 p.m.