



MINUTES

SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, January 25, 2024 | 2:00 p.m. | 215 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Michael S. Kennedy, Chair
Sen. Heidi Balderree
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Jen Plumb

Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Sen. Chris H. Wilson

Staff Present:

Seth Anderson, 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 Kennedy called the meeting to order.

MOTION: Sen. Balderree moved to approve minutes from last meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. C. Wilson

1. S.B. 127 Nurse Apprentice Amendments (Vickers, E.)

Senator Evan J. Vickers presented the bill.

Joan Gallegos, Co-Lead, Utah Action Coalition, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Balderree moved to pass S.B. 127 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 3

Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. C. Wilson

2. S.B. 134 Child Welfare Amendments (Harper, W.)

Senator Wayne A. Harper presented the bill.

MOTION: Chair Kennedy moved to amend S.B. 134 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 3.

Amendment 1
S.B. 134

1. Page 6, Lines 164 through 166:

164 (2) The division shall:

165 (a) provide the information deemed necessary ~~{to comply with the requirements of}~~ for action on the
complaint by the entities listed in Subsection

166 (1); and



Yeas - 4
Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Plumb

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass S.B. 134 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 6
Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. C. Wilson

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Sen. D. Buxton

3. S.B. 129 Medical Director Amendments (*Plumb, J.*)

Senator Jen Plumb presented the bill with the assistance of Dr. Kris Campbell.

Dr. Jennifer Brinton spoke in favor of the bill.

Lane England spoke in opposition to the bill.

Kristen Chevrier spoke in opposition to the bill.

Michelle McOmber, CEO, Utah Medical Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jeanee Cranemauzy spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to pass S.B. 129 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 3 - 0.

Yeas - 4
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 3
Sen. H. Balderree
Sen. M. Kennedy
Sen. C. Wilson

Absent - 0

4. S.B. 130 Overdose Outreach Provider Amendments (*Plumb, J.*)

Senator Jen Plumb presented the bill.

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

Evan Done, Associate Director, Utah Support Advocates for Recovery Awareness, spoke in favor of the bill.

Riley Drage spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Balderree moved to pass S.B. 130 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.



Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

- Sen. H. Balderree
- Sen. D. Buxton
- Sen. L. Escamilla
- Sen. M. Kennedy
- Sen. J. Plumb
- Sen. E. Vickers
- Sen. C. Wilson

5. H.B. 70 Fatality Review Amendments (Watkins, C.)

Representative Christine Watkins presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Wilson moved to replace H.B. 70 with 1st Substitute H.B. 70. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

- Sen. H. Balderree
- Sen. D. Buxton
- Sen. L. Escamilla
- Sen. M. Kennedy
- Sen. J. Plumb
- Sen. E. Vickers
- Sen. C. Wilson

MOTION: Sen. Wilson moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 70 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

- Sen. H. Balderree
- Sen. D. Buxton
- Sen. L. Escamilla
- Sen. M. Kennedy
- Sen. J. Plumb
- Sen. E. Vickers
- Sen. C. Wilson

6. 1st Sub. H.B. 73 Rehabilitation Services Amendments (Loubet, A.)

Representative Anthony Loubet presented the bill.

Jeanee Cranemauzy spoke in favor of the bill.

Ian Robertson, Brain Injury Alliance of Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 73 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

- Sen. H. Balderree
- Sen. D. Buxton
- Sen. L. Escamilla
- Sen. M. Kennedy
- Sen. J. Plumb
- Sen. E. Vickers
- Sen. C. Wilson



MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Sen. H. Balderree

Sen. D. Buxton

Sen. L. Escamilla

Sen. M. Kennedy

Sen. J. Plumb

Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. C. Wilson

Chair Kennedy adjourned the meeting.