



MINUTES

HOUSE PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 | 2:00 p.m. | 110 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Carl R. Albrecht, Chair
Rep. Colin W. Jack, Vice Chair
Rep. James Cobb
Rep. Joseph Elison
Rep. Jason B. Kyle
Rep. Phil Lyman
Rep. Matt MacPherson

Rep. Carol S. Moss
Rep. Michael J. Petersen
Rep. Judy Weeks Rohner
Rep. Angela Romero

Staff Present:

Samantha D. Brucker, Managing Policy Analyst
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

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

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

MOTION: Rep. Albrecht moved to approve the minutes of January 18, 2024 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 9

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. C. Moss
Rep. A. Romero

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

Sen. Harper introduced the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Kyle moved to pass S.B. 99 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. A. Romero

2. S.B. 19 Utah Communications Authority Modifications (Harper, W.)

Sen Harper introduced the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Elison moved to pass S.B. 19 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

3. H.B. 117 Wind Energy Facility Siting Modifications (*Burton, J.*)

Rep. Burton introduced the bill assisted by Brian Garrett, Deputy Director, Utah Department of Veterans and Military Affairs.

Rep. Albrecht assumed the chair.

Steve Styler, Foxley and Pignanelli, Nextera Energy, spoke to the bill.

Joan Entwistle, Park City, Utah, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. MacPherson moved to pass H.B. 117 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. C. Jack

4. H.B. 317 Energy Storage Amendments (*Musselman, C.R.*)

Rep. Musselman introduced the bill assisted by Dusty Monks, Deputy Director, Utah Office of Energy Development, Harry Hansen, Deputy Director, Utah Office of Energy Development, and Thom Carter, Government Affairs, Rocky Mountain Power.

MOTION: Rep. Lyman moved to replace H.B. 317 with 1st Substitute H.B. 317. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. C. Jack

MOTION: Rep. Lyman moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 317 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. C. Jack

Rep. Lyman assumed the chair.

5. H.B. 239 State Employee Cybersecurity Training Requirements (Albrecht, C.)

Rep. Albrecht introduced the bill assisted by Allan Fuller, Chief Information Officer, and Director, Division of Technology Services.

Todd Losser, Executive Director, Utah Public Employees Association, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Elison moved to amend H.B. 239 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
H.B. 239

1. Page 2, Lines 32 through 34:

32 (b) A state executive branch employee that is not issued a computer, tablet, or cell

33 phone , and has no access to state systems as part of the state executive branch employee's employment, is

not required to participate in the cybersecurity training program described in

34 Subsection (1).

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. C. Jack

MOTION: Rep. Elison moved to pass H.B. 239 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. C. Jack

6. H.B. 241 Clean Energy Amendments (*Albrecht, C.*)

Rep. Albrecht introduced the bill.

Mike Squires, UAMPS, spoke in support of the bill.

Thom Carter spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Cobb moved to replace H.B. 241 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 241. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Rep. C. Jack

MOTION: Rep. Cobb moved to amend 2nd Substitute H.B. 241 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 1 - 1.

Amendment 1
2nd Sub. H.B. 241

1. Page 20, Line 601:
601 (i) produces energy from {renewable} clean resources, including:



Yeas - 9

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner

Nays - 1

Rep. A. Romero

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Jack

MOTION: Rep. Cobb moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 241 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 1 - 1.

Yeas - 9

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner

Nays - 1

Rep. A. Romero

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Jack

MOTION: Rep. Kyle moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Jack

Chair Lyman adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.