



# MINUTES

## HOUSE PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, January 29, 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](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Albrecht called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2024. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 7

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. J. Elison  
Rep. C. Jack  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. M. Petersen  
Rep. J. Rohner

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. A. Romero

**1. H.C.R. 7 Concurrent Resolution Encouraging Repeal of the Jones Act (Thurston, N.)**

Rep. Thurston introduced the resolution.

Rep. Elison assumed the chair.

**MOTION:** Rep. Lyman moved to pass H.C.R. 7 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 9

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 - 2

Rep. C. Albrecht  
Rep. A. Romero

**2. H.B. 48 Utah Energy Act Amendments (Jack, C.)**

Rep. Jack introduced the bill.

Dusty Monks, Deputy Director, Office of Energy Development, spoke in support of the bill.

Whit Cook, Legislative Director, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. MacPherson moved to replace H.B. 48 with 1st Substitute H.B. 48. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

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

Rep. C. Albrecht

**MOTION:** Rep. MacPherson moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 48 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

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

Rep. C. Albrecht

### **3. H.B. 191 Electrical Energy Amendments (Jack, C.)**

Rep. Jack introduced the bill.

Rep. Albrecht resumed the chair.

Greg Todd, Director, Office of Energy Development, spoke in support of the bill.

Michele Beck, Director, Office of Consumer Services, spoke to the bill.

Sophie Hayes, attorney and manager of the clean energy program of Western Resource Advocates, spoke to the bill.

Val Starkey, Kaysville, spoke to the bill.

Josh Craft, Government Relations Director, Utah Clean Energy, spoke to the bill.

Whit Cook spoke in support of the bill.

Joan Entwistle, Summit County, spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to replace H.B. 191 with 1st Substitute H.B. 191. 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. M. MacPherson  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Rohner  
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. P. Lyman  
Rep. M. Petersen

**MOTION:** Rep. Kyle moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 191 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 2 - 1.

Yeas - 8

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

Nays - 2

Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. A. Romero

Absent - 1

Rep. P. Lyman

**4. H.B. 374 State Energy Policy Amendments (Jack, C.)**

Rep. Jack introduced the bill.

Harry Hansen, Deputy Director, Office of Energy Development, spoke in support of the bill.

Michele Beck spoke to the bill.

Joan Entwistle spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Elison moved to pass H.B. 374 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 2 - 2.

Yeas - 7

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

Nays - 2

Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. A. Romero

Absent - 2

Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. P. Lyman

**MOTION:** Rep. Kyle moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 2.



Yeas - 9

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. J. Cobb  
Rep. P. Lyman

Chair Albrecht adjourned the meeting at 3:59 p.m.