



MINUTES

SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Thursday, February 1, 2024 | 3:40 p.m. | 220 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher, Chair
Sen. Ronald M. Winterton, Vice Chair
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. John D. Johnson
Sen. Stephanie Pitcher
Sen. Jen Plumb

Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Members Absent:

President J. Stuart Adams

Staff Present:

Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
Lorna Wells, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Thatcher called the meeting to order at 3:42 p.m.

1. S.B. 144 Public Art Funding Amendments (*Millner, A.*)

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to replace S.B. 144 with 1st Substitute S.B. 144. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 3

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Sen. Millner presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 144 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. E. Vickers

2. H.B. 77 Division of Human Resource Management Amendments (*Gricius, S.*)

Rep. Stephanie Gricius presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Winterton moved to pass H.B. 77 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. E. Vickers

3. H.B. 87 Department of Government Operations Revisions (*Gricius, S.*)

Rep. Stephanie Gricius presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Johnson moved to pass H.B. 87 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. E. Vickers

4. S.B. 113 Disposition of State Property Amendments (*Buxton, D. G.*)

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to replace S.B. 113 with 1st Substitute S.B. 113. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. E. Vickers

Sen. Buxton presented the bill.

Scott L. Smith, Physician, Developmental Center Governing Board, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jim Russell, Director, Division of Facilities and Construction Management spoke in favor of the bill.

Jennifer May, Governing Board, Utah Development Center, and family member of Board spoke in opposition to the bill.

Emilie Campbell, parent of Development Center resident, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Buxton moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 113 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. J. Adams

5. H.B. 227 Municipal Office Modifications (*Welton, D.*)

Rep. Douglas Welton presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass H.B. 227 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Sen. J. Adams

6. H.B. 160 Campaign Funding Amendments (*Teuscher, J.*)

Rep. Jordan Teuscher presented the bill.

[HB 160 Campaign Funding Amendments](#)

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to amend H.B. 160 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
H.B. 160

1. Page 3, Lines 59 through 60:

59 (III) repair or replacement of clothing that is damaged while the candidate or officeholder is engaged in an
60 activity of a candidate or officeholder;

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Sen. J. Adams

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass H.B. 160 as amended out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Sen. J. Adams

MOTION: Sen. Pitcher moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. J. Plumb
Sen. D. Thatcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. R. Winterton

Sen. J. Adams

Chair Thatcher adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m.

