



UTAH STATE

LEGISLATURE

MINUTES

SENATE BUSINESS AND LABOR STANDING COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 8, 2024 | 8:00 a.m. | 220 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.

Acting Chair Sandall called the meeting to order at 8:13 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2024 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay

1. S.B. 149 Artificial Intelligence Amendments (Cullimore, K. A.)

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to amend S.B. 149 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Amendment 1
S.B. 149

1. Page 15, Lines 438 through 439:

438 (11) "Regulatory mitigation agreement" means an agreement between a participant, the
439 office, and relevant state agencies described in Section {~~13-70-104~~} ~~13-70-302~~.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay

Sen. Cullimore presented the bill with the assistance of Margaret Busse, Executive Director, Department of Commerce, Greg Whisenant, Policy Advisor, Department of Commerce.

[Utah's Approach to Artificial Intelligence - Slides](#)

Bree Jones, Chief Executive Officer, Gamezer Studio, spoke to the bill.

Ginger Chinn, Vice President, Salt Lake Chamber, spoke in favor of the bill.

David Barney, Chief Executive Officer/co-founder, Eliza Chat Inc, spoke in favor of this bill.

Barclay Burns, Chief Executive Officer/founder, Generative Impact, spoke in favor of the bill.

Bo Nemelka, Strategy Partner, Intermountain Health, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ryan Allenbach, Chief Executive Officer/co-founder, Agreed Software, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to pass S.B. 149 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. T. Weiler

2. S.B. 187 Utah Fair Housing Act Amendments (Cullimore, K. A.)

Sen. Cullimore presented the bill.

Nate Crippes, Public Affairs Attorney, Disability Law Center. spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jaceson Maughan, Commissioner, Utah Labor Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Cullimore moved to pass S.B. 187 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

Sen. N. Blouin
Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. Sandall assumed the chair.

3. S.B. 152 Cost Sharing Amendments (Bramble, C.)

Sen. Bramble presented the bill with the assistance of Carrie Ann Kemp, citizen.

Brook Carlisle, Government Relations Director, American Cancer Society, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ginger Chinn, Vice President, Salt Lake Commerce, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Erick Kuhni, President, Nation Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Charlene Wells, Senior Vice President of Public Relations, Mountain American Credit Union, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Mike Sonntag, Executive Director, Utah Health Insurance Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Dan Nelson, Chief Executive Officer, GBS Benefits, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Laura Rich, Regional Director for State Affairs, American Health Insurance Plans, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jenny Livingston, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Chair Bramble moved to pass S.B. 152 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

<u>Yeas - 7</u>	<u>Nays - 0</u>	<u>Absent - 1</u>
Sen. N. Blouin		Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. C. Bramble		
Sen. K. Cullimore		
Sen. K. Kwan		
Sen. D. McCay		
Sen. S. Sandall		
Sen. T. Weiler		

4. S.B. 188 Professional Licensing Revisions (Bramble, C.)

MOTION: Chair Bramble moved to amend S.B. 188 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
S.B. 188

- 1. Page 2, Lines 48 through 50:
 - 48 (x) the Intermountain Electrical Association;
 - 49 (xi) ~~{the Builders Bid Service of Utah}~~ the American Subcontractors Association, Utah Chapter; or
 - 50 (xii) Utah Roofing Contractors Association.
- 2. Page 3, Lines 60 through 64:
 - 60 continuing education course that the entity offers to satisfy :
 - (A) the continuing education
 - 61 requirement described in Subsection 58-55-302.7(2)(b) to a contractor in the plumbing trade ; or
 - (B) the continuing education requirement described in Subsection (1) for a contractor licensee that is licensed in the
 - specialty contractor classification of HVAC contractor .
 - 62 (e) ~~[On or after June 1, 2015, an]~~ An approved continuing education program for a
 - 63 contractor licensee may include a course offered and taught by:
 - 64 (i) a state executive branch agency;

<u>Yeas - 7</u>	<u>Nays - 0</u>	<u>Absent - 1</u>
Sen. N. Blouin		Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. C. Bramble		
Sen. K. Cullimore		
Sen. K. Kwan		
Sen. D. McCay		
Sen. S. Sandall		
Sen. T. Weiler		

Sen. Bramble presented the bill.

David Hill, Executive Director, Utah Plumbing and Heating Contractors Association, spoke to the bill.

Taz Biesinger, lobbyist, Utah Homebuilders Association, spoke in favor of this bill.

MOTION: Chair Bramble moved to pass S.B. 188 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Ipson

Sen. Bramble resumed the chair.

5. S.B. 203 Drinking Water Amendments (Sandall, S.)

Sen. Sandall presented the bill.

Greg Duerden, State Chair, Independent American Party of Utah, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Blouin moved to pass S.B. 203 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Ipson

6. S.B. 112 Eyelash Technician Licensure (Hinkins, D.)

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to replace S.B. 112 with 2nd Substitute S.B. 112. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. D. Ipson

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to amend 2nd Substitute S.B. 112 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
2nd Sub. S.B. 112

1. Page 10, Lines 274 through 277:

274 (c) The term "practice of master-level esthetics" includes :

(i) the practice of esthetics, but

275 an individual is not required to be licensed as an esthetician or master-level esthetician to

276 engage in the practice of threading~~{-}~~; and

(ii) the practice of eyelash and eyebrow technology.

277 ~~[(41)] (46)~~ "Practice of nail technology" means to trim, cut, clean, manicure, shape,

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

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

Sen. D. Ipson

Sen. Hinkins presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 112 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. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. D. Ipson

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to place 2nd Substitute S.B. 112 on the Consent Calendar. 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. K. Kwan
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. D. Ipson

7. H.B. 251 Postretirement Reemployment Restrictions Amendments (Gwynn, M.)

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to amend H.B. 251 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
H.B. 251

1. Page 8, Line 244 through Page 9, Line 247:

- 244 (ii) the retiree is not employed, including by a fee-for-service relationship, with any
245 participating employer for a period of:
246 (A) at least 90 days if the retiree is a public employee retiree; or
247 (B) at least ~~{-60}~~ 90 days if the retiree is a public safety or firefighter retiree;

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

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

Sen. D. Ipson

Rep. Gwynn presented the bill.

Brian Gwilliam, President, Utah Chiefs of Police Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, Utah State Board of Education, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mike Rapich, Colonel, Utah Highway Patrol, spoke in favor of the bill.

Karson Eilers, Policy Director, Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke in favor of the bill.

Clint Smith, President, Utah State Fire Chiefs Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to pass H.B. 251 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 1 - 1.

Yeas - 6

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

Nays - 1

Sen. D. McCay

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Kwan

8. H.B. 343 Design Professional Services Procurement Amendments (*Bolinder, B.*)

Rep. Bolinder presented the bill.

Bryce Ward, member, American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), spoke in favor of the bill.

Jim Russell, Director, Division of Facility Construction and Management, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to pass H.B. 343 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. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Kwan

9. H.B. 99 Consumer Credit Protection Amendments (*Birkeland, K.*)

Rep. Birkeland presented the bill with the assistance of Al Bingham, Consumer Protections.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to pass H.B. 99 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. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. K. Kwan

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to place H.B. 99 on the Consent Calendar. 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. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. K. Kwan

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to adjourn. 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. D. McCay
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. K. Kwan

Chair Bramble adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

NOTE: 02nd Substitute H.B. 0152 was not discussed in the meeting.