



# MINUTES

## HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, February 12, 2024 | 8:00 a.m. | 30 House Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. Ken Ivory, Chair  
 Rep. Stewart E. Barlow  
 Rep. Steve Eliason  
 Rep. Stephanie Gricius  
 Rep. Sandra Hollins  
 Rep. Tim Jimenez  
 Rep. Marsha Judkins  
 Rep. Rosemary T. Lesser  
 Rep. Anthony E. Loubet

Rep. Matt MacPherson  
 Rep. Robert M. Spendlove  
 Rep. Raymond P. Ward

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Cheryl K. Acton, Vice Chair  
 Rep. Jennifer Dailey-Provost

**Staff Present:**

Lisa Sorensen, Policy Analyst  
 Karen C. Allred, 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 Ivory called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. MacPherson moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2024 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 9

Rep. S. Barlow  
 Rep. S. Eliason  
 Rep. S. Gricius  
 Rep. S. Hollins  
 Rep. K. Ivory  
 Rep. T. Jimenez  
 Rep. M. Judkins  
 Rep. R. Lesser  
 Rep. M. MacPherson

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. C. Acton  
 Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
 Rep. A. Loubet  
 Rep. R. Spendlove  
 Rep. R. Ward

**1. H.B. 246 Office of Families (*Johnson, D.N.*)**

Rep. Dan Johnson presented the bill with the assistance of Aimee Winder Newton, Senior Advisor, Governor's Office, and Director, Office of Families.

Amaya Mueller, Policy Outreach, Sutherland Institute, spoke in favor of the bill.

Kristen Chevrier spoke in opposition to the bill.

Maryann Christensen, Executive Director, Utah Legislative Watch, spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Eliason moved to replace H.B. 246 with 1st Substitute H.B. 246. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 11

Rep. S. Barlow  
Rep. S. Eliason  
Rep. S. Gricius  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. T. Jimenez  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. R. Spendlove  
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. A. Loubet

**MOTION:** Rep. Eliason moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 246 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 12

Rep. S. Barlow  
Rep. S. Eliason  
Rep. S. Gricius  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. T. Jimenez  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. R. Spendlove  
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost

**2. H.B. 475 School Prescription Amendments (*Strong, M.A.*)**

Rep. Mark A. Strong presented the bill with the assistance of Dr. Michelle Hofman, Executive Medical Director, Department of Health and Human Services.

Alyssa White, Utah School Nurses Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to replace H.B. 475 with 1st Substitute H.B. 475. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 11

Rep. S. Barlow  
Rep. S. Gricius  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. T. Jimenez  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. R. Spendlove  
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. S. Eliason

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 475 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 10

Rep. S. Barlow  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. T. Jimenez  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. R. Spendlove  
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. S. Eliason  
Rep. S. Gricius

**MOTION:** Rep. Jimenez moved to place 1st Substitute H.B. 475 on the Consent Calendar.

Rep. Jimenez withdrew the motion.

**3. S.B. 147 Adoption Revisions (*Wilson, C.*)**

Sen. Chris Wilson presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Judkins moved to pass S.B. 147 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 10

Rep. S. Barlow  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. T. Jimenez  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. R. Spendlove  
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. S. Eliason  
Rep. S. Gricius

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

Sen. Wayne Harper presented the bill.

Adam Trupp, Assistant Director, Utah Indigent Defense Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to pass S.B. 134 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 9

Rep. S. Barlow  
Rep. S. Hollins  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. T. Jimenez  
Rep. R. Lesser  
Rep. A. Loubet  
Rep. M. MacPherson  
Rep. R. Spendlove  
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. C. Acton  
Rep. J. Dailey-Provost  
Rep. S. Eliason  
Rep. S. Gricius  
Rep. M. Judkins

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

Sen. Jen Plumb presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to pass S.B. 130 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 6.

Yeas - 8

- Rep. S. Barlow
- Rep. S. Hollins
- Rep. K. Ivory
- Rep. T. Jimenez
- Rep. R. Lesser
- Rep. M. MacPherson
- Rep. R. Spendlove
- Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 6

- Rep. C. Acton
- Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
- Rep. S. Eliason
- Rep. S. Gricius
- Rep. M. Judkins
- Rep. A. Loubet

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 6.

Yeas - 8

- Rep. S. Barlow
- Rep. S. Hollins
- Rep. K. Ivory
- Rep. T. Jimenez
- Rep. R. Lesser
- Rep. M. MacPherson
- Rep. R. Spendlove
- Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 0

Absent - 6

- Rep. C. Acton
- Rep. J. Dailey-Provost
- Rep. S. Eliason
- Rep. S. Gricius
- Rep. M. Judkins
- Rep. A. Loubet

Chair Ivory adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m.