



MINUTES

SENATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WORKFORCE SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, February 12, 2024 | 4:00 p.m. | 215 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. David P. Hinkins, Chair
Sen. Karen Kwan
Sen. Michael K. McKell
Sen. Derrin R. Owens
Sen. Jerry W Stevenson

Members Absent:

Sen. Ann Millner

Staff Present:

Sivan Nizan, Policy Analyst
Emma Johnsen, Committee Secretary

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

Chair David P. Hinkins called the meeting to order at 4:09 PM.

MOTION: Sen. Karen Kwan moved to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2024 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 3

Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. D. Owens

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. J. Stevenson

1. S.B. 208 Housing and Transit Reinvestment Zone Amendments (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Wayne A. Harper presented the bill.

Beth Holbrook, Trustee, Utah Transit Authority, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ashley Anderson, citizen, spoke to the bill.

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

Andrew Gruber, Executive Director, Wasatch Front Regional Council, spoke in favor of the bill.

Richard Jaussi, Chief Deputy Auditor, Salt Lake County, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to pass S.B. 208 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. A. Millner

2. S.B. 219 School Activity Eligibility Commission Modifications (*Kennedy, M.*)

Sen. Michael S. Kennedy presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Michael K. McKell moved to pass S.B. 219 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Sen. A. Millner

3. H.B. 78 Motion Picture Incentives Amendments (*Stenquist, J.*)

Rep. Jeffrey D. Stenquist presented the bill.

Harrison Middleton, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jackson Hartley, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson moved to pass H.B. 78 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 5
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Sen. A. Millner

4. 1st Sub. H.B. 13 Infrastructure Financing Districts (*Dunnigan, J.*)

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 13 with Amendment #3. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Amendment 3
1st Sub. H.B. 13

1. Page 18, Lines 522 through 525:

522 (d) The boundary of an assessment area proposed to be designated in an ordinance or
523 resolution of an infrastructure financing district may not include an area that is ~~{already included~~
524 ~~in}~~, at the time of adoption of the ordinance or resolution, part of an assessment area designated under an
ordinance or resolution previously adopted by the
525 infrastructure financing district.

2. Page 50, Line 1535:

1535 special district will have, consistent with the requirements of Subsection ~~{17B-1-302(4)}~~ 17B-1-302(8);
and

3. Page 50, Line 1544:

1544 Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors Licensing Act, certifying that the estimated cost of

4. Page 52, Line 1600:

1600 [(#)] (ii) [for] For each petition described in Subsection [(3)(b)(i); ~~(3)(e)(i)~~ (3)(d)(i)], the

5. Page 63, Lines 1934 through 1935:

1934 Sections 17B-1-210, 17B-1-211, 17B-1-212, and 17B-1-213 do not apply to the proposed
1935 creation of an infrastructure financing district.

6. Page 114, Lines 3499 through 3501:

3499 (1) ~~{(a)}~~ An infrastructure financing district is governed by and has the powers stated in:
3500 ~~{(i)}~~ (a) this part; and
3501 ~~{(ii)}~~ (b) Chapter 1, Provisions Applicable to All Special Districts, except as provided in

7. Page 115, Line 3544:

3544 milestones or events that the ~~{government}~~ governing document identifies;

8. Page 116, Lines 3585 through 3587:

3585 infrastructure financing district provides funding to comply with all applicable standards and
3586 design, inspection, and other requirements of the county ~~{or}~~ , municipality ~~{with jurisdiction over}~~ ,
special district, or special service district that will own and operate
3587 the infrastructure after the infrastructure is completed .

9. Page 116, Line 3588 through Page 117, Line 3591:

3588 (b) Upon the completion of infrastructure for which an infrastructure financing district
3589 has provided funding, the infrastructure shall be conveyed :

(i) to the county, municipality, ~~{or}~~
3590 special district ~~{with jurisdiction over}~~ , or special service district that will operate the infrastructure~~{,}~~ ;
and

(ii) at no cost to the county, municipality,
3591 ~~{or}~~ special district , or special service district .

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. A. Millner
Sen. J. Stevenson

Rep. James A. Dunnigan presented the bill.

Chris Kyler, Chief Executive Officer, Utah Association of Realtors and Property Rights Coalition, spoke in favor of the bill.

Justin Lee, Deputy Director, Utah League of Cities and Towns, spoke to the bill.

Robert Behunin, Division Manager for Business Services, GWC Capitol, spoke in favor of the bill.

Abby Hunsaker, Policy Advisor, Unified Economic Opportunity Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

Steve Waldrip, Policy Advisor, Housing Strategy and Innovation, spoke in favor of the bill

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 13 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 3

Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. A. Millner
Sen. D. Owens
Sen. J. Stevenson

5. 1st Sub. H.B. 48 Utah Energy Act Amendments (Jack, C.)

Rep. Colin W. Jack presented the bill.

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

Nicholeen Peck, President, Worldwide Organization for Women, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 48 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. D. Owens

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

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to replace H.B. 374 with 1st Substitute H.B. 374. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. D. Owens

Rep. Jack presented the bill.

Nathaniel Johnson, Executive Director, Utah Rural Electric Cooperative Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nicholeen Peck, President, Worldwide Organization for Women, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

MOTION: Sen. Derrin R. Owens moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 374 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 1 - 2.

Yeas - 3
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens

Nays - 1
Sen. K. Kwan

Absent - 2
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. J. Stevenson

7. H.J.R. 7 Joint Resolution Condemning Abusive Coaching Practices (Hayes, S.)

Rep. Sahara Hayes presented the bill with the assistance of Kara Eaker, citizen.

Elaine Alfano, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Owens moved to pass H.J.R. 7 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. J. Stevenson

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to place H.J.R. 7 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. J. Stevenson



MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. D. Owens

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. A. Millner
Sen. J. Stevenson

Chair Hinkins adjourned the meeting at 5:41 PM.