



# MINUTES

## HOUSE TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Friday, February 16, 2024 | 8:30 a.m. | 445 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Rep. Kay J. Christofferson, Chair  
Rep. Douglas R. Welton, Vice Chair  
Rep. Nelson T. Abbott  
Rep. Ariel Defay  
Rep. Brett Garner  
Rep. Ken Ivory  
Rep. Dan N. Johnson

Rep. Ashlee Matthews  
Rep. Karen M. Peterson  
Rep. Susan Pulsipher  
Rep. Jeffrey D. Stenquist  
Rep. Raymond P. Ward

**Staff Present:**

Rachel Brooks, Policy Analyst  
Reese Boardman, 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 Christofferson called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. of February 16, 2024.

**MOTION:** Rep. Peterson moved to reapprove the minutes of February 9, 2024 and approve the minutes of February 14, 2024. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 9

Rep. N. Abbott  
Rep. K. Christofferson  
Rep. A. Defay  
Rep. B. Garner  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. K. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. R. Ward  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Rep. J. Stenquist

**1. 2nd Sub. S.B. 135 Advanced Air Mobility and Aeronautics Amendments (*Harper, W.*)**

Sen. Harper presented the bill.

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

Jace Nelson, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Kyle Nordfors, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

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

Leif Elder, UDOT, spoke to the bill.

David Spatafore, representing Fire Chiefs Association, Unified Fire Authority, and Law Enforcement Legislative Committee, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to pass 2nd Substitute S.B. 135 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 3 - 0.

Yeas - 9

Rep. K. Christofferson  
Rep. A. Defay  
Rep. B. Garner  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. J. Stenquist  
Rep. R. Ward

Nays - 3

Rep. N. Abbott  
Rep. K. Peterson  
Rep. D. Welton

Absent - 0

**MOTION:** Rep. Ivory moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 12

Rep. N. Abbott  
Rep. K. Christofferson  
Rep. A. Defay  
Rep. B. Garner  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Rep. K. Peterson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. J. Stenquist  
Rep. R. Ward  
Rep. D. Welton

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Chair Christofferson adjourned the meeting.