



MINUTES

SENATE TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

Friday, January 31, 2025 | 2:00 p.m. | 220 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Wayne A. Harper, Chair
Sen. Don L. Ipson
Sen. Karen Kwan
Sen. Ann Millner
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe
Sen. Ronald M. Winterton

Members Absent:

President J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Chris H. Wilson

Staff Present:

Rachel Brooks, Policy Analyst
Calvin Cruz, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Harper called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Winterton moved to approve the minutes for Jan. 28, 2025. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. C. Wilson

1. H.B. 71 Committee of Consumer Services Sunset Amendments (*Owens, D.*)

Rep. Owens presented the bill.

Michele Beck, Director, Office of Consumer Services, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Winterton moved to pass H.B. 71 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. C. Wilson

Sen. Winterton assumed the chair.

2. S.B. 174 Transit and Transportation Governance Amendments (*Harper, W.*)

Sen. Harper presented the bill.

Carlton Christensen, Chair, UTA Board of Trustees, spoke to the bill.

Jay Fox, Executive Director, Utah Transit Authority, spoke to the bill.

Miranda Jones Cox, Government Affairs Manager, Wasatch Front Regional Council, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Kwan moved to pass S.B. 174 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.



Yeas - 5

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. C. Wilson

Sen. Harper resumed the chair.

3. S.B. 192 Commercial Wind and Solar Incentives Amendments (*Owens, D.R.*)

Sen. Owens presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to replace S.B. 192 with 1st Substitute S.B. 192. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. C. Wilson

Josh Brown, Interwest Energy Alliance, spoke in support of the bill.

Josh Craft, Director, Utah Clean Energy, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Winterton moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 192 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. C. Wilson

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 6

Sen. W. Harper
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. K. Kwan
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. C. Wilson

Chair Harper adjourned the meeting at 2:23 p.m.