



LEGISLATURE

MINUTES

SENATE BUSINESS AND LABOR STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 25, 2026 | 4:00 p.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Evan J. Vickers, Chair
Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore
Sen. Don L. Ipson
Sen. Daniel McCay
Sen. Calvin R. Musselman

Sen. Stephanie Pitcher
Sen. Scott D. Sandall
Sen. Todd Weiler

Staff Present:

Rohnin Randles, Policy Analyst
Zoe Adams, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Vickers called the meeting to order at 04:37 PM.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to approve the minutes from February 24, 2026. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman

1. 1st Sub. H.B. 255 Health Care Sharing Ministry Amendments(Abbott, N.)

Rep. Nelson Abbott presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to amend HB0255S01 with Amendment #2. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Amendment 2

1. Line 114 through 122:

114 regardless of whether the participant receives payment for the expenses
115 through the health care sharing ministry or whether this health care sharing
116 ministry continues to operate[-]; and
117 (iii)includes a prominently written notice on all{-websites;} applications, guideline
118 materials, and advertising materials distributed by or on behalf of the health care
119 sharing ministry that{-states} includes the following, or a substantially similar statement{.}; "This is not
insurance. {We are not}No one is obligated to pay
120 your medical bills."
121 (4) A transaction described in Subsection (3)(e) is subject to taxation under Section
122 31A-3-301.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Sandall

Joel Noble, Director of Public Policy, Samaritan Ministries, spoke in favor of the bill.

Seth Stewart, resident, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass HB0255S01 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 4

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Sandall

2. 2nd Sub. H.B. 179 Milk Amendments(Chevrier, K.)

Rep. Kristen Chevrier presented the bill.

MOTION: Chair Vickers moved to replace HB0179S02 with HB0179S03. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 1

Sen. C. Musselman

MOTION: Chair Vickers moved to amend HB0179S03 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1**1. Line 147 through 153:**

147 through mechanical refrigeration at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or a lower temperature.
148 (b)A producer may transport raw milk or a raw milk product from the premises where
149 the raw milk or raw milk product is produced and sell the raw milk or raw milk
150 product at a retail establishment ~~that is inspected by the department~~ if the producer ensures that the raw
milk or raw milk
151 product is transported by a designated agent, a third party vendor, or employee of the
152 producer in a mobile unit with mechanical refrigeration where the raw milk or raw
153 milk product is maintained at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or a lower temperature.

2. Line 347:

347 Section . is enacted to read:
348 Exemption for small producers.
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(1) ~~(Notwithstanding)~~ Except as provided in Subsection (2), notwithstanding the other provisions of this part,
a producer may manufacture, distribute, sell, deliver, hold, store, or offer for sale raw milk or a raw milk product
without obtaining a permit or complying with this part if:



(a) the producer produces 500 gallons of raw milk or less in a month that the producer:

353 ~~(1)~~ (i) maintains as raw milk; or

354 ~~(2)~~ (ii) uses to produce a raw milk product~~(3)~~; and

~~(b) the producer sells and delivers the raw milk or raw milk product upon the premises where the raw milk or raw milk product is produced.~~

~~(2) A producer exempt from this part under Subsection (1):~~

~~(a) is subject to Section 4-3-606; and~~

~~(b) shall notify the department of the producer's intent to operate under the exemption of Subsection (1) by providing the department:~~

~~(i) the producer's name; and~~

~~(ii) a valid, current address of the location where the producer is operating under the exemption of Subsection (1).~~

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Cullimore
 Sen. D. Ipson
 Sen. D. McCay
 Sen. S. Pitcher
 Sen. S. Sandall
 Sen. E. Vickers
 Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. C. Musselman

Terry Camp, Vice President, Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau Federation, spoke in favor of the bill.

Amber Brown, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, spoke in favor of the bill.

Tamar Watson, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass HB0179S03 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 7

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Cullimore
 Sen. D. Ipson
 Sen. D. McCay
 Sen. S. Pitcher
 Sen. S. Sandall
 Sen. E. Vickers
 Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. C. Musselman

3. H.B. 240 Carbon Dioxide System Amendments(Nguyen, H.)

Rep. Hoang Nguyen presented the bill with the assistance of Tony Allred, Fire Marshal, Fire Marshals Association Utah.

Ronald Longley, contractor, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to pass HB0240 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

Sen. D. Ipson
 Sen. D. McCay
 Sen. E. Vickers
 Sen. T. Weiler

Sen. K. Cullimore
 Sen. C. Musselman
 Sen. S. Pitcher
 Sen. S. Sandall

4. 1st Sub. H.B. 260 Unauthorized Practice of Law Amendments(Loubet, A.)

Rep. Anthony Loubet presented the bill with the assistance of Maribeth LeHoux, General Counsel, Utah State Bar.

Craig Peterson, Director, Justice Division, Office of the Utah Attorney General, spoke in favor of the bill.

Seth Stewart, resident, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Nancy Sylvester, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

Sen. Ipson assumed the chair.

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to replace HB0260S01 with HB0260S02. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. McCay moved to pass HB0260S02 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

5. 1st Sub. H.B. 277 Traditional Healing Amendments(*Fitisemanu, J.*)

Rep. Jake Fitisemanu presented the bill with the assistance of Yvette Romero Coronado, resident and Deborah Blackburn, Assistant Director, DOPL.

Matt Poss, Executive Director, Urban Indian Center of Salt Lake, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to pass HB0277S01 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 1 - 3.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 1

Sen. C. Musselman

Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

6. 1st Sub. H.B. 301 Drug Recodification(*Gwynn, M.*)

Rep. Matthew Gwynn presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Musselman moved to pass HB0301S01 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

MOTION: Sen. Musselman moved to place HB0301S01 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

7. 2nd Sub. H.B. 313 Landscaper Certification Amendments(*Arthur, J.*)

Rep. John Arthur presented the bill.

Taz Biesinger, Lobbyist, Utah Home Builders Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Eric Marble, Marketing Manager, Chanshare Farms, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Pitcher moved to pass HB0313S02 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 3

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

Chair Vickers resumed the chair.

8. 2nd Sub. H.B. 72 Criminal Use of Cryptocurrency Amendments(*Wilcox, R.*)

Rep. Ryan Wilcox presented the bill.

Joe Hirabayashi, Associate State Director, AARP Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Stewart Young, Criminal Deputy, Attorney General's Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jackson Last, Deputy Chief, Utah Bankers Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Glen Minson, Chief Investigator, Utah Division of Consumer Protection, spoke in favor of the bill.

Cheryl Linzer, Detective, Salt Lake County, Sheriffs Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

Anola Johnson, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nate Mutter, Assistant Chief of Investigations, Attorney General's Office, spoke in favor of the bill.

Maryann Christensen, Executive Director, Utah Legislative Watch, spoke in favor of the bill.



MOTION: Sen. Ipson moved to pass HB0072S02 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 5

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0Absent - 3

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

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

Yeas - 6

Sen. D. Ipson
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. E. Vickers
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 2

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. S. Sandall

Chair Vickers adjourned the meeting at 6:15 PM.

NOTE: S.B. 0280 was not discussed in the meeting.