

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY
STANDING COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 27, 2002
Room 416, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING**

Members Present: Sen. David L. Gladwell, Chair
Sen. D. Chris Buttars
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. Millie M. Peterson
Sen. Alicia L. Suazo
Sen. John L. Valentine

Staff Present: Jerry D. Howe, Research Analyst
Saundra Maeser, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Cassie Diplo, State Issues Coordinator, Common Cause of Utah
Sandy Peck, League of Women Voters
James Evans, citizen
Michael Hinckley, citizen
Terek Nosseir, General Secretary, Islamic Society
Forrest Crawford, Professor, Weber State University
James Yapias, Hispanic community advocate
Robert Gallegos, President, RASA, Salt Lake County Voter Registration
Mark Bryner, Coalition for Safe Schools
Steven Epperson, Unitarian Minister, Coalition of Religious Communities
Terry Hurst, citizen
Teresa Martinez, Professor, University of Utah
Doug Worthen, teacher
Juan Hernandez, Jr., Hispanic community advocate
Tom Cantrell, Communications Committee, Common Voices
Mary Allen, Skull Valley Goshute Tribe
Boris Kurtz, Quaker, Coalition of Religious Communities
Phil Kirk, Hispanic Advisory Council

Visitor list on file.

Chair Gladwell called the meeting to order at 4:24 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Peterson moved to approve the minutes of February 25, 2002.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Buttars and Sen. Valentine absent for the vote.

1. S.B. 149 Ethics Amendments (L. S. Poulton)

Sen. L. Steven Poulton introduced the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to delete in title and body S.B. 149 and replace it with 2nd Sub. S.B. 149.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Valentine absent for the vote.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Cassie Dippo, State Issues Coordinator, Common Cause of Utah

Sandy Peck, League of Women Voters

MOTION: Sen. Peterson moved to pass 2nd Sub. S.B. 149 out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Valentine absent for the vote.

2. S.B. 64 Criminal Code Amendments (A. Suazo)

Sen. Alicia Suazo introduced the bill. Handouts were distributed. Susan Craeger Allred, LRGC, assisted in the presentation and answered questions.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

James Evans, citizen

Mike Hinckley, citizen

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Terek Nosseir, General Secretary, Islamic Society, Coalition of Religious Communities

Forrest Crawford, Professor, Weber State University

James Yapias, Hispanic community advocate

Robert Gallegos, President, RASA PAC, Salt Lake County Voter Registration

Mark Bryner, Coalition for Safe Schools

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MOTION: Sen. Peterson moved to pass S.B. 64 out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion failed with Sen. Peterson and Sen. Suazo voting in favor, Sen. Gladwell, Sen. Buttars, and Sen. Valentine voting in opposition, and Sen. Hillyard absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Peterson moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hillyard absent for the vote.

Sen. Gladwell adjourned the meeting at 5:54 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Sandra Maeser, Secretary

Sen. David L. Gladwell, Chair