

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE  
ROOM 405, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING  
FEBRUARY 3, 2004**

MEMBERS PRESENT:      Rep. James A. Ferrin, Chair  
                                 Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, Vice Chair  
                                 Rep. Doug Aagard  
                                 Rep. Ron Bigelow  
                                 Rep. DeMar "Bud" Bowman  
                                 Rep. Neil A. Hansen  
                                 Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson  
                                 Rep. Roz McGee  
                                 Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold  
                                 Rep. Loraine T. Pace

MEMBERS ABSENT:      Rep. Don E. Bush

STAFF PRESENT:      John Cannon, Managing Policy Analyst  
                                 Sylvia Newton, Committee Secretary  
                                 John Fellows, Associate General Counsel

**Note:**      A list of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Rep. Hutchings called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

MOTION:      Rep. Pace moved to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2004 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow, Rep. Newbold, and Rep. Ferrin absent for the vote.

**H.B. 231      Review and Approval of Federal Monies Received by the State (*Rep. C. Bennion*)**

MOTION:      Rep. Pace moved to delete in title and body H.B. 231 and replace it with 1st Sub. H.B. 231. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow, Rep. Newbold, and Rep. Ferrin absent for the vote.

Rep. Bennion introduced 1st Sub. H.B. 231 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke against the bill:      Debbie Goodman, Utah Audubon Council

MOTION:      Rep. Ferrin moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 28, Lines 859 through 860:

859 (i) the state will receive total payments of ~~[[-\$1,000,00-]]~~ \$1,000,000 or  
less per year if the application  
860 is approved;

2. Page 29, Lines 884 through 885:

884 (i) the state will receive total payments of ~~[[-\$1,000,00-]]~~ \$1,000,000 or  
less per year if the application  
885 is approved;

Spoke to the bill: Richard Ellis, Director, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget  
John Njord, Executive Director, Department of Transportation

MOTION: Rep. Pace moved to hold the bill in committee.

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Rep. Ferrin moved to pass the bill out favorably.

After additional discussion, Rep. Ferrin withdrew the substitute motion.

The original motion to hold the bill in committee passed unanimously.

**H.B. 226 Legislative Approval for Capital Projects (Rep. D. Ure)**

**H.B. 228 Sale, Exchange, or Donation of Real Property by State Agencies (Rep. D. Ure)**

Rep. Ure suggested to the committee that he be allowed to meet with interested parties to discuss possible changes to H.B. 226 and H.B. 228 and present them at a future committee meeting.

Rep. Hutchings relinquished the chair to Rep. Ferrin.

MOTION: Rep. Hansen moved to adjourn. The motion passed with Rep. Hendrickson and Rep. Ferrin voting in opposition to the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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Rep. James A. Ferrin, Chair