

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE  
ROOM 405, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING  
FEBRUARY 23, 2004**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:      Rep. Ron Bigelow  
                                 Rep. Neil A. Hansen

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

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

Rep. Ferrin called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

MOTION:    Rep. Bowman moved to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2004 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bush, Rep. Newbold, and Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote.

**H.B. 301      Voter Registration Amendments (*Rep. M. Thompson*)**

Rep. Thompson introduced H.B. 301 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in opposition to the bill:      Arie Van De Graaff, Association of Counties

Spoke in favor of the bill:      Marco Diaz, Utah Republican Hispanic Assembly

Spoke to the bill:      Russell Sias, citizen  
                                 Amy Naccarato, State Elections Office

MOTION:    Rep. Hutchings moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Hendrickson, Rep. McGee, and Rep. Pace voting in opposition to the motion. Rep. Bush was absent for the vote.

**H.B. 363      Government Efficiency and Effectiveness Review Committee (*Rep. P. Wallace*)**

Rep. Wallace introduced H.B. 363 and explained it to the committee.

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

1. *Page 3, Line 75:*

75      the Occupational and Professional Licensure Review Committee created by Section 36-23-102.

**(3) The committee shall report by November 1st annually to the Government Operations Interim Committee.**

The motion to amend the bill passed unanimously.

Spoke to the bill:      Klare Bachman, Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing

MOTION:      Rep. Newbold moved to pass the bill as amended out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Hendrickson and Rep. McGee voting in opposition to the motion.

**S.B. 58      Alcoholic Beverage Control Amendments (*Sen. J. Valentine*)**

Sen. Valentine introduced S.B. 58 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in opposition to the bill:      Robert Brown, Utah Hospitality Association (handout)

MOTION:      Rep. Hendrickson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**H.B. 287      Government Records Access and Management Act Revisions (*Rep. D. Aagard*)**

MOTION:      Rep. Aagard moved to return H.B. 287 to the Rules Committee and refer it for interim study. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote.

MOTION:      Rep. Hendrickson moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.