

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE JUDICIARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
STANDING COMMITTEE
Wednesday, January 21, 2004
Room 414, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING**

Members Present: Sen. Gregory Bell, Chair
Sen. Patrice M. Arent
Sen. D. Chris Buttars
Sen. James M. Evans
Sen. David L. Gladwell
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. Mike Dmitrich
Sen. L. Alma Mansell

Members Excused: N/A

Staff Present: Jami Momberger, Policy Analyst
Katrina Yarrington, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Margaret Plane, Staff Attorney, ACLU
Scott McCoy, Attorney, Equality Utah
Michael Mitchell, Executive Director, Equality Utah
Michael Zimmerman, Attorney
Representative Jackie Biskupski
Adam Bass, citizen
Wendi Baggaley, citizen
Richard G. Wilkins, Professor of Law, BYU
Lynn D. Wardle, Professor of Law, BYU
Danni Eyre, Head of Utah ACLU
Gayle Ruzicka, President, Utah Families, Utah Eagle Forum

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Committee Chair Bell called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

1. S.B. 24 Marriage Defined (C. Buttars)

Sen. Chris Buttars introduced the bill.

The following people spoke in support of the bill:
Lynn D. Wardle, Professor of Law, BYU
Richard G. Wilkins, Professor of Law, BYU
Gayle Ruzicka, President, Utah Eagle Forum
Wendi Baggaley, citizen

The following people spoke in opposition to the bill:

Michael Zimmerman, attorney, Snell & Wilmer, former Utah Supreme Court Justice

Michael Mitchell, Executive Director, Equality Utah

Representative Jackie Biskuspski

Margaret Plane, Staff Attorney, ACLU

Scott McCoy, Attorney, Equality Utah

Adam Bass, citizen

Danni Eyre, Head of Utah ACLU

MOTION: Sen. Arent moved to hold S.B. 24 in committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Bell adjourned the meeting at 9:57 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Katrina Yarrington, Secretary

Sen. Gregory S. Bell, Committee Chair