

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
STANDING COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 18, 2005
ROOM W020, WEST OFFICE BUILDING, STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX**

Members Present: Sen. Allen Christensen, Chair
Sen. Ron Allen
Sen. Gregory Bell
Sen. Scott McCoy

Members Excused: President John Valentine
Sen. Peter Knudson

Staff Present: Mark Andrews, Policy Analyst
Nedra Duzett, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Luz Robles, Multicultural Policy Analyst, Utah Issues
Pamela Atkinson, Advocate
Paula Julander, Former Senator
Cynthia Jones, M.D., Ob/Gyn, University Hospital
Judi Hilman, Health Policy Director, Utah Issues
Donna Murphey, Utah Nurses Assn.
Ron Casper, National Federation of Independent Business
Tom Bingham, Utah Manufacturers Assn.
Kathy Elton, Utah Council on Conflict Resolution
Connie Barnes, citizen, "For Children's Sake"
Dalane England, Citizen
Sheryl Fluckiger, Citizen
Mark Duke, Legislative Chair, Utah Adoption Council

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

Committee Chair Christensen called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved to approve the minutes of February 15, 2005.

The motion passed unanimously.

1. S.B. 201 Center for Multicultural Health (D. C. Buttars)

Sen. Buttars explained the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Luz Robles, Multicultural Policy Analyst, Utah Issues
Pamela Atkinson, Advocate

MOTION: Sen. Allen moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. **S.J.R. 16 Resolution Urging Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan for the State**
(K. Hale)

Sen. Hale explained the bill

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Paula Julander, Former Senator
Cynthia Jones, M.D., Ob/Gyn, University Hospital

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. **S.B. 111 Amendments Prohibiting Health Insurance Discrimination** (S. McCoy)

Sen. McCoy explained the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Judi Hilman, Health Policy Director, Utah Issues
Donna Murphey, Utah Nurses Assn.
Paula Julander, Former Senator

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Ron Casper, National Federation of Independent Business
Tom Bingham, Utah Manufacturers Assn.

MOTION: Sen. Allen moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion failed with Sen. Allen and Sen. McCoy voting in favor.

4. **H.B. 42S01 Medical Recommendations for Children** (M. Morley)

At the request of the sponsor the bill was not considered.

5. **H.B. 4 Divorce Mediation Program** (B. Ferry)

Sen. Bell and Rep. Ferry explained the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Kathy Elton, Utah Council on Conflict Resolution

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Connie Barnes, citizen, "For Children's Sake"
Dalane England, citizen
Sheryl Fluckiger, citizen

MOTION: Sen. Bell moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. **H.B. 22 Intercountry Adoption Accreditation** (R. McGee)

Rep. McGee explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Bell moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Christensen adjourned the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

Minutes reported by Nedra Duzett, Secretary.

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