

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDING COMMITTEE
Room WO25, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex
February 14, 2006

Members Present: Rep. DeMar "Bud" Bowman, Chair
Rep. Michael T. Morley, Vice Chair
Rep. Duane Bourdeaux
Rep. LaVar F. Christensen
Rep. Todd E. Kiser
Rep. David Litvack
Rep. Curtis Oda
Rep. Paul Ray

Members Absent: Rep. Wayne Harper
Rep. Patricia W. Jones
Rep. Stephen H. Urquhart

Staff Present: Mr. Stewart Smith, Policy Analyst
Ms. Linda Black, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Bowman called the meeting to order at 8:12 a.m.

H.B. 421 Tampering with Evidence - Amendments *(Rep. P. Wallace)*

Rep. Wallace introduced the bill.

Spoke in favor
of the bill: Mr. Joel Allred, Utah Trial Lawyers Association

Spoke to
the bill: Mr. Rob Latham, Utah Crime Lawyers Association

MOTION: Rep. Kiser moved to proceed to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Ray absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Morley moved to approve the minutes of February 10, 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 174 Guardian Ad Litem Amendments *(Rep. L. Christensen)*

MOTION: Rep. Christensen moved to replace **H.B. 174** with **1st Substitute H.B. 174**. The

motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Christensen explained the bill.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Darin Underwood, Office of the Legislative Auditor General

Spoke in opposition
to the bill: Ms. Debra Moore, Chair, Guardian Ad Litem, Oversight Committee
Ms. Kristen Brewer, Director, Guardian Ad Litem
Ms. Lisa Watts Baskin, Voices for Utah Children
Mr. Stewart Ralphs, Legal Aid Society

MOTION: Rep. Kiser moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed, with Rep. Bourdeaux, Rep. Bowman, and Rep. Litvack voting in opposition

1st Sub. S.B. 150 Restitution Amendments (*Sen. G. Bell*)

Sen. Bell explained the bill with the assistance of Mr. Mel Wilson, Davis Co. Attorney.

MOTION: Rep. Ray moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Christensen absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Morley moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, with Rep. Christensen absent for the vote.

Rep. Bowman adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Rep. DeMar "Bud" Bowman, Chair