

**MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE JUDICIARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2006  
Room W130, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex**

Members Present: Sen. Gregory Bell, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Patrice Arent  
Sen. Allen Christensen  
Sen. Mike Dmitrich  
Sen. Mark Madsen  
Sen. David L. Thomas

Members Excused: Sen. D. Chris Buttars, Chair  
Sen. Lyle Hillyard

Members Absent: Sen. L. Alma Mansell

Staff Present: Art Hunsaker, Policy Analyst  
Norda Shepard, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Rep. David Ure  
Karl Hendrickson, Utah Association of Counties  
Rep. Scott L. Wyatt  
Rep. Julie Fisher  
Paul Mero, Sutherland Institute  
Pamela Atkinson, Community Advocate  
Lori Russell  
Gordon Oakeson  
Doreen Brown  
Stewart Ralphs, Utah Legal Aid Society  
Jennifer Kershaw  
Rep. Lorie D. Fowlke  
Paul Boyden, Utah Association of Prosecutors  
Rep. Jackie Biskupski  
Ann Hart, Salt Lake County Ombudsman

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

Committee Vice Chair Bell called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Vice Chair Bell announced that H.B. 89, Adoption and Vital Statistics Amendments, would not be heard.

1. **H.B. 227 Underage Tattooing Penalty Amendment** *(Rep. D. Ure)*

Rep. David Ure presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to pass H.B. 227 out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Christensen and Dmitrich absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to place H.B. 227 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Christensen and Dmitrich absent for the vote.

2. **1st Sub. H.B. 274 Removal of County or Prosecution District Officer Amendments**  
*(Rep. S. Wyatt)*

Rep. Scott L. Wyatt presented the bill assisted by Karl Hendrickson, Utah Association of Counties.

**MOTION:** Sen. Dmitrich moved to pass 1st Sub. H.B. 274 out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen absent for the vote.

3. **H.B. 244 Aggravated Assault by Prisoners Amendment** *(Rep. S. Wyatt)*

Rep. Wyatt presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to pass H.B. 244 out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen absent for the vote.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to approve the minutes of February 10, 2006. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen absent for the vote.

5. **H.B. 83 Driver License Privilege Suspension for Failure to Pay Child Support** *(Rep. Julie Fisher)*

Rep. Julie Fisher presented the bill and distributed a handout.

The following people spoke in support of the bill:

Paul Mero, Sutherland Institute  
Pamela Atkinson, Community Advocate  
Lori Russell  
Doreen Brown  
Stewart Ralphs, Utah Legal Aid Society  
Jennifer Kershaw

Gordon Oakeson spoke in opposition.

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to pass H.B. 83 out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. H.B. 102 Sentencing for First Degree Felony Murder (Rep. L. Fowlke)**

Rep. Lorie D. Fowlke presented the Bill. Paul Boyden, Utah Association of Prosecutors, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to pass H.B. 102 out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

**7. H.B. 306 Private Probation Provider Amendment (Rep. L. Fowlke)**

Rep. Fowlke presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Madsen moved to pass H.B. 306 out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dmitrich absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to place H.B. 306 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dmitrich absent for the vote.

**8. H.B. 125 State Long-term Care for Inmates (Rep. J. Biskupski)**

Rep. Jackie Biskupski presented the bill. Ann Hart, Salt Lake County Ombudsman, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Thomas moved to pass H.B. 125 out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dmitrich absent for the vote.

1st Sub. H.B. 220 was not heard.

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**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to adjourn.

Committee Vice Chair Bell adjourned the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Norda Shepard, Committee Secretary

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Sen. D. Chris Buttars, Committee Chair