

MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
Monday, February 6, 2006  
Utah State Capitol Complex, West Office Building, Suite W015

Members Present:            Sen. Michael Waddoups, Chair  
                                      Sen. Beverly Evans  
                                      Sen. Fred Fife  
                                      Sen. Thomas Hatch  
                                      Sen. Scott McCoy  
                                      Sen. Darin Peterson

Staff Present:                J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst  
                                      Saundra Maeser, Secretary

Public Speakers Present:    Ed Alter, Utah State Treasurer  
                                      Fred Finlinson, Attorney, Water Coalition  
                                      Warren Peterson, General Counsel, Provo River Water Users Association  
                                      Erin Neyrey, River Defense Coordinator, Utah Rivers Council  
                                      Craig Peterson, Consultant, American Council of Engineering Companies  
                                      Ann O'Connell, League of Women Voters  
                                      Walt Baker, Director, Division of Water Quality

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

Committee Chair Waddoups called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

**1. Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Sen. Hatch moved to approve the minutes of February 2, 2006.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Fife absent at the time of voting.

**2. S.B. 39 General Fund Surplus Appropriation for Water Development Projects (Sen. L. Hillyard)**

Sen. Lyle Hillyard introduced the bill. Ed Alter, State Treasurer, assisted in the presentation. A handout was distributed.

Fred Finlinson, Attorney, Water Coalition; Warren Peterson, General Counsel, Provo River Water Users Association; and Craig Peterson, Consultant, American Council of Engineering Companies, spoke in support of the bill.

Erin Neyrey, River Defense Coordinator, Utah Rivers Council, and Ann O'Connell, League of Women Voters, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Sen. Hatch, Sen. Fife and Sen. Peterson noted a conflict of interest regarding the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hatch moved to pass S.B. 39, General Fund Surplus Appropriation for Water Development Projects, out favorably.

The motion failed with Sen. Evans, Sen. Hatch and Sen. Peterson voting in support of the bill and Sen. Fife, Sen. McCoy and Sen. Waddoups voting in opposition.

**3. H.B. 38 Water Reuse Requirements (Rep. B. Ferry)**

Rep. Ben Ferry introduced the bill and distributed a handout.

Fred Finlinson, Attorney, Water Coalition, and Walt Baker, Director, Division of Water Quality, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Evans moved to pass H.B. 38, Water Reuse Requirements, out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Waddoups adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Minutes reported by Sandra Maeser, Secretary

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Michael Waddoups, Committee Chair