Rep. Michael T. Morley, Chair
Rep. David Clark, Vice Chair
Rep. Ann W. Hardy
Rep. Rebecca Lockhart
Rep. Karen W. Morgan
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold
Rep. LaWanna Shurtliff

Rep. Ron Bigelow

Mr. Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst
Mr. Dee S. Larsen, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Barbara Bryner, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Morley called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.


1. H.B. 58 Additional State Retirement Benefit (Rep. L. Shurtliff)

Rep. Shurtliff explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of Kent Abel, Director, Utah Retired School Employees Association.

The following people spoke for the bill:

Laura Polacheck, AARP
Courtney White, UEA
Rob Timmerman, Utah Public Employee Association
Max Peacock, Utah Retired School Employees Association


Rep. Clark explained the substitute bill to the committee.

Kelly Atkinson, Executive Director, Utah Health Association spoke to the bill.


Rep. Morley explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of Linn Baker, Director, Public Employees Health Program.

Bob Huefner, Vice President, Utah Health Data Com. spoke for the bill.

Dave Guss, Utah Hospital Association and Kelly Atkinson, Executive Director, Utah Health Association, spoke to the bill.


MOTION: Rep. Morley moved to adopt the following amendments proposed by Rep. Christensen:

1. *Page 1, Lines 15 through 16:*

   15  • allows a public employer to offer optional **{supplemental}** benefit plans to cover

   16  additional persons if the supplemental benefit:
2. Page 1, Lines 23 through 24:

23 benefit plans may not be established or offered through an order or
24 action of a public employer's chief executive officer.

3. Page 2, Lines 43 through 45:

43 (1) "Dependents" means an employee's or eligible retiree's:
44 (a) current spouse; and
45 (b) children, including stepchildren, legally adopted children, and children for whom the employee or eligible retiree is a legal guardian.

4. Page 3, Lines 59 through 60:

59 A public employer may also offer optional employee benefit plans that cover a
60 person not described under Subsection (1) if the benefit:

5. Page 3, Lines 70 through 72:

70 Supplemental benefit Employee benefit plans that cover a person not described under Subsection (1)
71 may not be established or offered through an order or action of a public employer's chief executive officer.


Rep. Christensen explained the amended bill to the committee.

Will Carlson, Public Employee, spoke against the bill.


Rep. Dougall explained the bill to the committee with the assistance of Michael Sullivan, Governor’s Office, Economic Development.

MOTION: Rep. Hardy moved to adopt the following amendments:

1. **Page 1, Line 27 through Page 2, Line 28:**
   
   Other Special Clauses:
   
   None

   This bill provides an immediate effective date.

2. **Page 5, Line 149:**
   
   (6) The office may make rules to implement this section.

   **Section 3. Effective date.**

   If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah Constitution Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.


Rep. Michael T. Morley, Chair