

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
PUBLIC UTILITIES & TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE
Room W025, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex
January 30, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Michael Noel, Chair
Rep. Aaron Tilton, Vice Chair
Rep. Jim Bird
Rep. Mel Brown
Rep. Janice Fisher
Rep. Lynn Hemingway
Rep. Fred Hunsaker
Rep. Steven Mascaro
Rep. Kay McIff
Rep. Richard Wheeler

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Ralph Becker

STAFF PRESENT: Richard North, Policy Analyst
Linda Black, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.
Rep. Noel called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Wheeler moved to approve the minutes of January 26, 2007. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown, Rep. Fisher and Rep. McIff absent for the vote.

H.B. 120 **Utility Facility Review Board** (*Rep. A. Tilton*)

MOTION: Rep. Tilton moved to delete in title and body **H.B. 120** and replace it with **1st Substitute H. B, 120**. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher absent for the vote.

Rep. Tilton introduced the bill with the assistance of Rey Butcher, Questar.

Spoke to the bill: Tom Bingham, Utah Manufacturers Association
Jodi Hoffman, Utah League of Cities and Towns
Kevin Boardman, Rocky Mountain Power

MOTION: Rep. Hunsaker moved to pass **1st Substitute H.B. 120** out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Wheeler absent for the vote.

Rep. Noel relinquished the chair to Rep. Hunsaker.

H.B. 188 **Easements - Counties and Municipalities** (*Rep. A. Tilton*)

MOTION: Rep. Tilton moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 2, Line 35: After "acquires" delete "an" insert "a utility"

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Wheeler and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

Spoke to the bill: LeGrand Bitter, Director, Utah Association of Special Districts
Rey Butcher, Questar
Jeff Richards, Rocky Mountain Power
Mike Peterson, Executive Director, Utah Rural Electric Assn.

MOTION: Rep. McIff moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed with Rep. Fisher voting in opposition. Rep. McIff, Rep. Noel and Rep. Wheeler were absent for the vote.

H.B. 315 Regulation of Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices (*Rep. A. Tilton*)

Rep. Tilton explained the bill.

Spoke in favor of the bill: David Purinton, President, SEGWAY OF UTAH

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. McIff and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

Rep. Noel resumed the chair.

H.B. 333 Materials Harmful to Minors (*Rep. A. Tilton*)

Rep. Tilton explained the bill with the assistance of Patricia Owen, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

Spoke to the bill: Jim Olsen, Utah Retail Merchants Assn.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Michelle Seegmiller, Eagle Forum

MOTION: Rep. Mascaro moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. McIff and Rep. Wheeler absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. McIff and Rep. Wheeler absent for the vote. Rep. Noel adjourned the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

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