MINUTES OF THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES & TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2007, 8:00 A.M. ROOM W020, WEST OFFICE BUILDING STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX

Members Present: Sen. Carlene Walker, Chair

Sen. Sheldon Killpack Sen. Scott Jenkins Sen. Kevin VanTassel Sen. Mike Dmitrich Sen. Ed Mayne

Staff Present: Mark Steinagel, Policy Analyst

Karen Allred, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Jan Moncur, Gold Star Mother

Teresa Nish, Gold Star Mother Paula Lehmiller, Gold Star Mother Tony Galvez, Gold Star Father

Craig Bickmore, Director, Utah Auto Dealers Association

Karen Cooley, mother

Dr. Tom Metcalf, pediatrician

Doug McCleve, Department of Public Safety, Utah Highway

Patrol

Art Brown, President, MADD Utah

Janet Brooks, Child Advocate, Primary Children's Medical Center

Bryan Mortensen, student

Nicole Cottle, attorney, West Valley City

Rick Walker, owner, Associated Towing, Utah Professional

Towing Association

Wayne Jones, Exec. Director, Independent Auto Dealers Assn. David Spatafore, Capstone Strategies, Utah Chiefs of Police Assn.

Richard Bullock, Bullocks Towing

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

Committee Chair Walker called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

Approval of minutes

MOTION: Sen. Dmitrich moved to approve the minutes of January 16, 2007.

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The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Mayne absent for the vote.

Sen. Killpack assumed the chair.

1. S.B. 33 Special Group License Plate - Gold Star Family (C. Walker

Sen. Walker introduced the bill.

Jan Moncur, Teresa Nish, and Paula Lehmiller, Gold Star Mothers, and Tony Galvez, Gold Star Father, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Mayne absent for the vote.

Sen. Walker resumed the chair.

2. S.B. 54 Motor Vehicle Dealer Performance Bond Amendments (Eastman)

Sen. Eastman explained the bill.

Craig Bickmore, Director, Utah Auto Dealers Association spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Mayne absent for the vote.

3. S.B. 36 Safety Belt Enforcement Amendments (P. Jones)

Sen. Jones introduced the bill and the following amendments were distributed:

1. Page 1, Lines 1 through 4:

| 1 | NICK'S SAFETY BELT ENFORCEMENT {-AMENDMENTS-} | LAW |
|---|---|-----|
| 2 | 2007 GENERAL SESSION | |
| 3 | STATE OF UTAH | |
| 4 | Chief Sponsor: Patricia W. Jones | |

2. *Page 1, Lines 12 through 14:*

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- 12 repeals the provision that makes a safety belt violation for a person 19 years of age
- 13 or older enforceable only as a secondary action when the person is detained for
- 14 another offense <u>until July 1, 2010;</u>
 - provides that beginning on or after July 1, 2010, a safety belt violation for a person 19 years of age or older is enforceable only as a secondary action when the person is detained for another offense;
 - requires the Transportation Interim Committee to study and make recommendations on safety belt usage; and
 - makes technical changes
- 3. Page 1, Line 21:
 - 21 41-6a-1803, as renumbered and amended by Chapter 2, Laws of Utah 2005 **ENACTS:** 63-55-107, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 4. Page 2, Line 44:
 - 44 than Subsection (1)(a) or (2), or for another offense. $\{+\}$
 - (b) The Transportation Interim Committee of the Legislature shall, prior to November 30, 2009:
 - (i) study the increase or decrease in safety belt usage within the last three years; <u>and</u>
 - (ii) make recommendations on the effectiveness of primary enforcement of Subsection (1)(a) or (2).

Section 2. 63-55-107 is enacted to read:

63-55-107. Primary safety belt enforcement study.

The Transportation Interim Committee of the Legislature shall, prior to November 30, 2009, study safety belt usage in accordance with Subsection 41-6a-1803(4)(b).

MOTION: Sen. Killpack moved to adopt the amendments.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Mayne absent for the vote.

Karen Cooley, parent; Dr. Tom Metcalf, pediatrician; Doug McCleve, Dept. of Public Utah Highway Patrol; Art Brown, President, MADD Utah; Janet Brooks, Safety,

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Child Advocate, Primary Children's Medical Center; and Bryan Mortensen, student, spoke in support of the bill and handouts were distributed.

MOTION: Sen. Dmitrich moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended.

The motion passed with Sens. Killpack and Jenkins voting in opposition.

4. S.B. 120 Vehicle Towing Requirements (B. Goodfellow)

Sen. Goodfellow explained the bill and a handout was distributed.

Nicole Cottle, attorney, West Valley City; Rick Walker, owner, Associated Towing, Utah Professional Towing Association; Wayne Jones, Executive Director, Independent Auto Dealers Association; David Spatafore, Capstone Strategies, Utah Chiefs of Police Association; and Richard Bullock, owner Bullocks Towing, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Senator Mayne moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion failed with Sens. Walker and Mayne voting in favor, Sens. Jenkins and VanTassell voting in opposition, and Sens. Killpack and Dmitrich absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously at 9:55 a.m. with Sens. Killpack and Mayne absent for the vote.

Sen. Carlene Walker, Committee Chair