

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
STANDING COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2008
ROOM C250, WEST OFFICE BUILDING, STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX**

Members Present: Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. Brent H. Goodfellow
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Scott D. McCoy

Member Excused: Sen. D. Chris Buttars, Chair

Staff Present: Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst
Nedra B. Duzett, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Dr. Chuck Norlin, Past President, Intermountain Pediatric Society
Lincoln Nehring, Utah Health Policy Project
Attorney General Mark Shurtleff
John Freeman, Director of Operations, Alcoholic Beverage Control
Richard Nance, Director, Utah County Division of Substance Abuse
Pat Bird, Prevention Manager, Utah County Division of Substance Abuse
Art Brown, President, MADD Utah
Heather Anderson, Miss Utah 2007
Dr. David N. Sundwall, Executive Director, Department of Health
Dr. George Van Komen, Chairman, Alcohol Policy Coalition
Melissa Trout, mother
Michael Brennan, General Distributing Company and member of the Utah Beer Wholesalers Association
Jim Olsen, President, Utah Food Industry Association
Jon Hill, Utah Petroleum Association
Mike Sonntag, Utah Beer Wholesalers Association
Deborah Turner, Department of Health
Sherri Wittwer, NAMI Utah
Michelle McOmber, Utah Medical Association

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

Sen. Christensen called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m.

1. S.B. 133 Medical Assistance and Managed Care (G. Bell)

Sen. Bell explained the bill.

Lincoln Nehring, Utah Health Policy Project, provided additional information about the bill.

Dr. Chuck Norlin, Past President, Intermountain Pediatric Society, spoke in support of the bill.

Sen. Bell recommended that the bill be sent to interim study.

MOTION: Sen. Knudson moved to recommend that S.B. 133 be sent to interim study.

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

2. S.B. 211 Alcoholic Beverage Control Amendments (C. Bramble)

MOTION: Sen. Knudson moved to delete in title and body S.B. 211 and replace it with 1st Substitute S.B. 211.

The motion passed with Sen. Goodfellow absent for the vote.

Sen. Bramble explained the substitute bill.

Attorney General Mark Shurtleff spoke in support of the bill and gave a presentation titled "Truth in Alcohol." He stated that the presentation is aimed at educating the public on the danger of Alcopops.

Other individuals speaking in support of the bill were:

John Freeman, Director of Operations, Alcoholic Beverage Control
Richard Nance, Director, Utah County Division of Substance Abuse
Pat Bird, Prevention Manager, Utah County Division of Substance Abuse
Art Brown, President, MADD Utah
Heather Anderson, Miss Utah 2007
Dr. David N. Sundwall, Executive Director, Department of Health
Dr. George Van Komen, Chairman, Alcohol Policy Coalition

The following individuals spoke against the bill:

Melissa Trout, mother
Michael Brennan, General Distributing Company and member of the Utah Beer Wholesalers Association

Mike Sonntag, Utah Beer Wholesalers Association
Jim Olsen, President, Utah Food Industry Association
Jon Hill, Utah Petroleum Association

MOTION: Sen. Knudson moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 211 out favorably.

The motion passed with Sen. McCoy voting in opposition.

Sen. McCoy assumed the Chair.

3. S.B. 197 Preferred Drug List Revisions (A. Christensen)

Sen. Christensen explained the bill.

Sherri Wittwer, NAMI Utah, spoke against the bill.

The following individuals spoke in support of the bill:

Dr. David N. Sundwall, Department of Health
Lincoln Nehring, Utah Health Policy Project
Michelle McOmer, Utah Medical Association

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

The motion passed with Sen. Goodfellow voting in opposition and Sen. Knudson absent for the vote.

Sen. Christensen assumed the Chair.

4. H.B. 281S1 Grants to Rural Hospitals - Oversight Responsibilities (M. Newbold)

Rep. Newbold explained the bill.

Deborah Turner, Department of Health, spoke in support of the bill.

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

The motion passed with Sen. Knudson absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved to recommend that 1st Substitute H.B. 281 be placed on the consent calendar.

The motion passed with Sen. Knudson absent for the vote.

5. **H.B. 276S2 Health Professional Authority - Death and Disability** (*B. Last*)

2nd Substitute H.B. 276 was not considered.

Sen. Christensen adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Minutes reported by Nedra Duzett, Secretary.

Sen. Allen M. Christensen