

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE
ROOM 20, HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX
February 10, 2009**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Craig Frank, Chair
 Rep. Keith Grover, Vice Chair
 Rep. Douglas C. Aagard
 Rep. Ron Bigelow
 Rep. Jim Bird
 Rep. Neil A. Hansen
 Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson
 Rep. John Mathis
 Rep. Larry B. Wiley

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Ben Ferry

STAFF PRESENT: Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst
 Sylvia Newton, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Rep. Frank called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Mathis moved to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2009 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Aagard, Rep. Bird, Rep. Wiley, and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

S.B. 122 Uniform State Law - Uniform Unsworn Foreign Declarations Act (*Sen. L. Hillyard*)

Sen. Hillyard explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Bigelow moved to pass S.B. 122 with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bird, Rep. Wiley, and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

H.B. 297 Budgetary Procedures Act Recodification (*Rep. R. Bigelow*)

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

1. *Page 316, Line 9791 through Page 317, Line 9813:*
9791 63J-1-102. Definitions.

9792 (1) ~~{(a)}~~ "Dedicated credits" means collections by an agency that are deposited
directly

9793 into an account for expenditure on a separate line item and program.

9794 ~~{(b) "Dedicated credits" includes federal revenues that are deposited into an~~
~~agency~~

9795 ~~account for expenditure on a separate line item and program.}~~ =

(2) "Federal revenues" means collections by an agency from a federal source
that are deposited directly into an account for expenditure on a separate line item and
program.

9796 ~~{(2)}~~ (3) "Fixed collections" means collections that are:

9797 (a) fixed at a specific amount by law or by an appropriation act; and

9798 (b) required to be deposited into a separate line item and program.

9799 ~~{(3)}~~ (4) "Free revenue" includes:

9800 (a) collections that are required by law to be deposited in:

9801 (i) the General Fund; =

(ii) the Education Fund;

9802 ~~{(ii)}~~ (iii) the Uniform School Fund; or

9803 ~~{(iii)}~~ (iv) the Transportation Fund;

9804 (b) collections that are not otherwise designated by law;

9805 (c) collections that are not externally restricted; and

9806 (d) collections that are not included in an approved work program.

9807 ~~{(4)}~~ (5) "Major revenue types" means:

9808 (a) free revenue;

9809 (b) restricted revenue;

9810 (c) dedicated credits; and

9811 (d) fixed collections.

9812 ~~{(5) "Restricted fund" means a fund or subfund that contains monies that are~~
~~set aside~~

9813 ~~for a specific program or purpose.~~

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2. *Page 319, Lines 9878 through 9880:*

9878 ~~{(iii)}~~ (B) The Division of Finance and the director of the Governor's Office of

9879 Planning and Budget shall review the work program ~~{and written justification}~~ and
submit their

9880 findings and recommendations to the governor.

The motion to amend the bill passed unanimously with Rep. Bird and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

Rep. Bigelow explained the amended bill to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Bigelow moved to pass H.B. 297 as amended with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bird and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

H.B. 272 Utah Scenic Byway Designation Amendments (Rep. C. Herrod)

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

1. Page 1, Lines 21 through 23:

21 ▶ provides that non-scenic areas of existing state scenic byways , National
 Scenic Byways, and All-American Roads shall be segmented;
22 { ~~→ provides that the Utah State Scenic Byway Committee shall apply for~~
 ~~segmentation~~
23 ~~of non-scenic areas on existing National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads; }~~

2. Page 3, Lines 66 through 70:

66 (4) (a) A non-scenic area that was designated as a state scenic byway , National
 Scenic Byway, or All-American road prior to the
67 effective date of this bill shall be segmented.
68 { ~~(b) The committee shall apply for segmentation of a non-scenic area that was~~
69 ~~designated as a National Scenic Byway or All-American Road prior to the effective~~
 ~~date of this~~
70 ~~bill. }~~

3. Page 4, Lines 97 through 100:

97 (g) segment the portions of all existing and future state scenic byways , National
 Scenic Byways, and All-American Roads that adjoin
98 non-scenic areas { ~~;~~ and
99 ~~(h) apply for segmentation of any portion of an existing National Scenic Byway~~
 ~~or an~~
100 ~~All-American Road that adjoins a non-scenic area within the state. }~~

The motion to amend the bill passed unanimously with Rep. Bird absent for the vote.

Rep. Herrod explained the bill as amended to the committee. He was assisted by Dewey Reagan, president of Reagan Outdoor Advertising, and Morgan Philpot, counsel for Reagan Outdoor Advertising. A handout was provided to committee members.

Spoke in opposition to the bill: Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns
 Gary Uresk, Woods Cross City
 John Holland, Scenic Byway 12 Committee
 Leigh von der Esch, Director, Office of Tourism

MOTION: Rep. Mathis moved to proceed to the next item on the agenda.

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Rep. Hansen moved to pass H.B. 272 with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Aagard, Rep. Mathis, and Rep. Wiley voting in opposition to the motion. Rep. Bigelow was absent for the vote.

H.B. 291 County Personnel Amendments (*Rep. B. King*)

Rep. King explained the bill, assisted by John Mathews, Human Resources Director, Salt Lake County.

Rep. Frank relinquished the chair to Rep. Grover.

MOTION: Rep. Wiley moved to pass H.B. 291 with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Wiley moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow and Rep. Mathis absent for the vote.

Rep. Frank resumed the chair.

MOTION: Rep. Aagard moved to saunter. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow absent for the vote. The committee reconvened at 9:43 a.m.

H.B. 141 Billboard Amendments (*Rep. C. Frank*)

This bill was not heard.

H.R. 2 Ecumenical Patriarch House Resolution (*Rep. G. Hughes*)

Rep. Hughes explained H.R. 2 to the committee, assisted by Chris Gamvroulas of the Greek Orthodox Church in Salt Lake City, who provided a handout to committee members.

Spoke to the resolution: Father Michael Kouremetis, pastor of the Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church in Salt Lake City

MOTION: Rep. Hansen moved to pass H.R. 2 with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow and Rep. Hendrickson absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Wiley moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow and Rep. Hendrickson absent for the vote.

Rep. Frank adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Rep. Craig A. Frank, Chair