

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS &
POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2009, 8:00 A.M.
ROOM 415 STATE CAPITOL**

Members Present: Sen. Peter C. Knudson, Chair
 Sen. Greg Bell
 Sen. Jon Greiner
 Sen. Scott K. Jenkins
 Sen. Dan Liljenquist
 Sen. Scott D. McCoy
 Sen. Luz Robles

Staff Present: Rich North, Policy Analyst
 Jean Butler, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Carlton Christensen, Chair, Salt Lake City Council
 Lincoln Shurtz, League of Cities and Towns
 Bruce Jones, Citizen
 Royce VanTassell, Utah Tax payers Association
 Steve Erickson, Citizen
 Gerald McDonough, Arthur and Researcher
 Dr. Ben Bramwell, Utah Naturopathic Association
 Dr. Matthew Barnett, Utah Naturopathic Association
 Mary Ann Christensen
 Mark Bear, M.D. and Pharmacist, Utah Medical Association
 Beth Young, Ph.D., Utah Health System Pharmacy
 Lloyd Sellenite, Citizen
 Jason Yokom, Citizen
 Michael Sanchez, Citizen

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

Committee Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Knudson asked for a motion on the minutes.

MOTION: Sen. Liljenquist moved the Minutes of February 26 be approved.

The motion passed 5 - 0 - 2 with Sens. Greiner and Jenkins absent.

1. **SB0248 Tax Amendments** (B. Bell)

Sen. Bell presented the bill. He requested Carlton Christenson, Salt Lake City Councilman, to provide more detail on the bill.

The following individual spoke in support of the bill:

Lincoln Shurtz, League of Cities and Towns
Bruce Jones, General Council

Individuals from the audience speaking against the bill:

Royce VanTassell, Tax Payers Association
Jim Olson, President of the Utah Merchants Association

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved the bill be passed out favorably.

The motion passed 4 - 2 - 1 with Sens. Knudson and Jenkins voting against the bill. Senator Greiner was absent for the vote.

2. **SB0223 City and County Carbon Credits for Sequestration of Waste Stream Material** (R. Romero)

Sen. Romero introduced an amendment to SB0223.

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to adopt Amendment One under Senator Romero's name.

The motion passed 6 - 0 - 1 with Sen. Greiner absent for the vote.

Sen. Romero presented the amendment as follows::

1. *Page 2, Lines 31 through 33:*

31 A municipality providing waste and garbage collection and disposal services that
32 converts material to charcoal or biochar **and sequesters the charcoal or biochar as**
fertilizer as part of the waste and garbage collection and
33 disposal services may seek and sell or trade carbon credits on any market **or**
exchange for carbon credits.

2. *Page 4, Lines 91 through 93:*

91 (6) A county providing waste and garbage collection and disposal services that
92 converts material to charcoal or biochar **and sequesters the charcoal or biochar as**

fertilizer as part of the waste and garbage collection and
93 disposal services may seek and sell or trade carbon credits on any market or
exchange for carbon credits.

The following individuals from the audience spoke for the new bill:

Steve Erickson
Gerald McDonough, Author and Researcher

Sen. Jenkins spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved the bill be passed out favorably as amended.

The motion passed 4 - 2 - 1 with Sens. Knudson and Jenkins voting against the bill.
Sen Liljenquist was absent for the vote.

3. **HB0108 Hormone Restoration Amendments** (Rep. Aagard)

Rep. Aagard presented the bill to the committee.

The following individuals from the audience spoke in favor of the bill.

Ben Bramwell, Utah Association of Naturopathic Physicians
Matthew Barnett, Utah Naturopathic Physicians
Mary Ann Christensen, Citizen
Lloyd Sellenite, Citizen

The following individuals spoke against the bill:

Mark Bear, M.D. and Pharmacist, Utah Medical Association
Beth Young, Ph.D. of Pharmacy, Utah Health System Pharmacies
Lloyd Sellenite, Patient

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed 3 - 2 - 2 with Sens. Knudson and Bell voting against the bill. Sens.
Greiner and Jenkins were absent for the vote.

4. **HB0197 Reauthorization of Administrative Rules** (B. Ferry)

Rep. Ferry gave an overview of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed 5 - 0 - 2 with Sens. Greiner and Jenkins absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. McCoy moved the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

The motion passed 5 - 0 - 2 with Sens. Greiner and Jenkins absent for the vote.

5. **HB012601 Voter Identification for Election** (B. Daw)

Rep. Daw gave an overview of the bill.

Scott Logansen, Chief Deputy Clerk Auditor, further explained HBO12601

Jason Yocom, Chief Deputy Clerk for Salt Lake County, spoke against the bill.

Michael Sanchez, Precinct Chair, spoke for the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Liljenquist moved the bill be passed out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed 4 - 2 - 1 with Sens. McCoy and Robles voted against the bill. Sen. Greiner was absent for the vote.

6. **HB0375 Local Government Records Amendments** (R. Wilcox)

Rep. Wilcox gave an overview of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved the bill be passed out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed 6 - 0 - 1 with Sen. Greiner absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen Liljenquist moved the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

The motion passed 6 - 0 - 1 with Sen. Greiner absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved the meeting be adjourned.

The motion passed 6 - 0 - 1 with Sen. Greiner absent for the vote.

Chair Knudson adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

The minutes were prepared by Jean Butler, Committee Secretary.

