

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, & ENVIRONMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room C445, State Capitol, State Capitol Complex
February 12, 2010

Members Present: Rep. Roger E. Barrus, Chair
Rep. John Mathis, Vice Chair
Rep. Mel Brown
Rep. Brad Dee
Rep. Jack Draxler
Rep. Kerry Gibson
Rep. James Gowans
Rep. Neal Hendrickson
Rep. Mike Noel
Rep. Patrick Painter
Rep. Phil Riesen
Rep. Christine Watkins
Rep. Ryan D. Wilcox
Rep. Bill Wright

Staff Present: Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
Dora Soto, Committee Secretary

Note: List of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes

Rep. Mathis called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2010 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dee, Rep. Draxler, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Wilcox and Rep. Wright absent for the vote.

H.B. 141 Recreational Use of Public Water on Private Property (*Rep. K. McIff*)

Rep. McIff provided a handout and explained the bill to committee members.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Sterling Brown, VP. Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau who provided a handout to committee members.
Joe Fuhriman, VP. Utah Cattle Association, Landowner
David Epperson, Landowner
Dan Dygert, Chief Operating Officer, Carrus

Spoke in opposition to the bill: Jeff Salt, Citizen
David Sercher, Recreational User, Wasatch Anglers

Spoke to the bill: Robert Beers, Fisherman

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Draxler and Rep. Riesen voting in opposition to the motion.

H.B. 240 Department of Natural Resources Amendments (*Rep. J. Draxler*)

Rep. Draxler explained the bill to the committee, assisted by Michael Fowlks, Law Enforcement Chief, Department of Natural Resources, and Eric Stucki, Utah State Parks and Recreation.

MOTION: Rep. Brown moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dee, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Noel and Rep. Riesen absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Painter moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dee, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Noel and Rep. Riesen absent for the vote.

Rep. Barrus adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

Rep. Roger E. Barrus, Chair