

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

February 3, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Brad Galvez, Vice Chair
 Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
 Rep. Janice Fisher
 Rep. Richard Greenwood
 Rep. Curt Oda
 Rep. Lee Perry
 Rep. Doug Sagers
 Rep. Evan Vickers

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Kraig Powell, Chair
 Rep. Holly Richardson

STAFF PRESENT: Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst
 Joanna MacKay, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of visitors is filed with committee minutes.

Rep. Galvez called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Vickers moved to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2011 and the February 2, 2011 meetings. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Greenwood absent for the vote.

S.B. 10 Local District Amendments (*Sen. D. Stowell*) (Rep. D. Ipson)

Sen. Stowell explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Fred Finlinson, Utah Water Coalition
 Lee Bracken, Mayor, City of Enterprise

MOTION: Rep. Vickers moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 31 Rural Fast Track Program Amendments (*Sen. R. Okerlund*) (Rep. C. Watkins)

Sen. Okerlund explained the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Greenwood moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 254 Emergency Procedures Amendments (Rep. R. Greenwood)

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to adopt the following amendment:

1. *Page 2, Lines 48 through 49:*

- 48 (d) a tribe, as defined in Section 23-13-12.5, shall declare as determined under the
49 Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.
 (5) Nothing in this part affects the governor's authority to declare a state of
 emergency under Section 63K-4-203.

The motion to amend the bill pass unanimously.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Lance Peterson, Director, Weber County Emergency Management
Will Lusk, Assistant Fire Chief, Logan City

Spoke to the bill: Cory Lyman, Director, Salt Lake City Emergency Management

Vice Chair Galvez suggested that Rep. Greenwood work on language to address concerns expressed.

H.B. 103 Election Amendments (Rep. D. Brown)

Rep. Brown explained the bill to the committee, assisted by Brent Gardner, Utah Association of Counties.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to adopt the following amendment:

1. *Page 2, Lines 42 through 48:*

- 42 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(c), in the 2014 general election:
43 (i) the following county officers shall be elected to one six-year term and thereafter
44 elected to a four-year term:
45 (A) county {~~clerk~~} treasurer ;
46 (B) county {~~auditor~~} recorder ;
47 (C) county {~~attorney~~} surveyor ; and
48 (D) county {~~sheriff~~} assessor ; and

The motion to amend the bill passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Sagers voting in opposition.

H.B. 254 Emergency Procedures Amendments (*Rep. R. Greenwood*)

MOTION: Rep. Greenwood moved to further amend the previous amendment to the bill as follows:

1. Page 2, Lines 48 through 49:

48 (d) a tribe, as defined in Section 23-13-12.5, shall declare as determined under the
49 Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.

(5) Nothing in this part affects:

(a) the governor's authority to declare a state of emergency under Section 63K-4-203; or

(b) the authority or responsibility of a political subdivision in an emergency.

The motion to amend the bill passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Oda moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Galvez adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

Rep. Kraig Powell, Chair