

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

February 18, 2011

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

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

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

Vice Chair Galvez called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2011 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher, Rep. Greenwood, Rep. Oda and Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

1st Sub. H.B. 331 Investment of Post-employment Benefits Amendments (Rep. J. Dougall)

MOTION: Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to replace 1st Sub. H.B. 331 with 2nd Sub. H.B. 331. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher, Rep. Greenwood, Rep. Oda and Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

Rep. Dougall explained the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Oda and Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

H.C.R. 10 Taiwan Concurrent Resolution (Rep. E. Hutchings)

Rep. Perry explained the resolution to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass the resolution with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

H.B. 143 Ballot Placement Amendments (Rep. S. Eliason)

MOTION: Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to replace H.B. 143 with 1st Sub. H.B. 143. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

Rep. Eliason explained the bill to the committee, assisted by Scott Hogensen, Utah County Clerk/Auditor's Office and Mark Thomas, Office of the Lt. Governor.

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

H.B. 176 Audit of State Budgets (Rep. L. Christensen)

MOTION: Rep. Greenwood moved to replace H.B. 176 with 1st. Sub. H.B. 176. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Oda, Rep. Perry and Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

Rep. Christensen explained the bill to the committee.

John Schaff, Auditor General, responded to questions from the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Vickers moved to amend 1st. Sub. H.B. 176 as follows:

1. Page 2, Lines 35 through 37:

35 (2) The Office of Legislative Auditor General shall:

36 (a) each year perform an audit of two **or more** entities' appropriations, in addition
to other audits

37 performed by the Office of Legislative Auditor General, that evaluates:

The motion to amend the bill passed unanimously with Rep. Oda and Rep. Perry absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Vickers moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Oda and Rep. Perry absent for the vote.

H.B. 305 Midterm Vacancies in Municipal Offices (Rep. K. Powell)

Rep. Powell explained the bill to the committee and provided a handout from the Utah League of Cities and Towns Handbook.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Chavez-Houck and Rep. Fisher voting in opposition. Rep. Oda was absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Oda absent for the vote.

Vice Chair Galvez adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Rep. Kraig Powell, Chair