

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 14, 2011  
ROOM 250 STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX**

Members Present: Sen. D. Chris Buttars, Chair  
Sen. Allen M. Christensen  
Sen. Mark B. Madsen  
Sen. Stuart C. Reid  
Sen. Patricia W. Jones

Members Excused: Sen. Luz Robles

Staff Present: Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst  
Kathy Helgesen, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Ellie Brownstein, MD, P&T Committee  
Jeff Buel, Director, State Government Affairs, Johnson & Johnson  
Tim Tomer, AARP  
Michael Meason, MD  
Judi Hillman, Utah Health Policy Project  
Kerri Ernstsens  
Perrine Anderson, APRN-GNP  
Steve Bateman, CEO, St. Marks Hospital  
Charlie Thronson, attorney, UAJ  
Dave Gessell, legal counsel, Utah Hospitals  
Andrew Riggle, Utah Developmental Disability Counsel

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

Sen. Buttars called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** Sen. Reid moved to approve the minutes of February 10, 2011

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones absent for the vote.

1. **SB0137S01 - Medicaid Amendments (A. Christensen)**

Sen. Christensen introduced the bill.

Dr. Brownstein, Mr. Tomer, and Ms. Hillman spoke in favor of the bill.



- 25        78B-3-425. Prohibition on cause of action for negligent credentialing.  
26        It is the policy of this state that the question of negligent credentialing,  
            as applied to  
27        ~~{-medical}~~ health care providers in malpractice suits, is not  
            recognized as a cause of action.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones absent for the vote.

Mr. Bateman and Mr. Gessell spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Thronson spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Christensen moved to pass S.B. 150, as amended, out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones absent for the vote.

4.        **HB0230S01 - Disability Amendments (P. Ray)**

Rep. Ray introduced the bill.

Mr. Riggle spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Jones moved to pass First Substitute H.B. 230 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Jones made a motion to place H.B. 230 on the Consent Calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Christensen moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Minutes reported by Kathy Helgesen, Secretary.

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Sen. D. Chris Buttars, Committee Chair