

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND  
ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE  
415 State Capitol, Utah State Capitol Complex  
January 31, 2012**

Members Present:            Sen. Ralph Okerlund, Chair  
                                  Sen. Casey Anderson  
                                  Sen. Allen M. Christensen  
                                  Sen. Gene Davis  
                                  Sen. Margaret Dayton  
                                  Sen. David Hinkins

Staff Present:                Mr. J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst  
                                  Ms. Lorna Wells, Secretary

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

Chair Okerlund called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

**S.B. 46            Agriculture Sustainability Act (S. Jenkins)**

Sen. Jenkins presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill:        Mr. Leonard Blackham, Utah Commissioner of Agriculture and Food  
                                  Mr. Craig Petersen, CAP Consulting, The Nature Conservancy  
                                  Ms. LuAnn Adams, Commissioner, Box Elder County  
                                  Mr. Sterling Brown, Vice President Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau  
                                  Mr. Kerry Gibson, Commissioner, Weber County  
                                  Mr. S. Bruce Karren, Commissioner, Utah Association of Conservation  
                                  Districts

Spoke to the bill:        Mr. Dennis Yarrington, Davis County Assessor

**MOTION:**                Sen. Dayton moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed  
                                  unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:**                Sen. Dayton moved to approve the minutes of January 24, 2012. The  
                                  motion passed unanimously.

**S.B. 134            State Water Development Commission Amendments (M. Dayton)**

Sen. Dayton presented and explained this bill.

Spoke to the bill:        Mr. Sterling Brown, Vice President Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau

**MOTION:**                Sen. Dayton moved to amend the bill.

**MOTION WITHDRAWN**

Spoke for the bill:     Sen. Peter Knudson  
                              Mr. Fred Finlinson, Chair, Utah Water Coalition

**MOTION:**     Sen. Dayton moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

**S.B. 132        Reauthorization of Radiation Control Act (P. Knudson)**

Sen. Knudson presented and explained this bill.

Spoke to the bill:     Rusty Lundberg, Director, Division of Radiation Control,  
                              Utah Department of Environmental Quality

**MOTION:**     Sen. Christensen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

**S.B. 133        Reauthorization of Mercury Switch Removal Act (P. Knudson)**

Sen. Knudson presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill:     Scott Anderson, Division Director, Utah Department of Environmental  
                              Quality  
                              Candace Daly, Nucor Corporation

**MOTION:**     Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

**MOTION:**     Sen. Hinkins moved to place the bill on the consent calendar. The motion passed, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

**MOTION:**     Sen Hinkins moved to place S.B. 132 on the consent calendar. The motion passed, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

**MOTION:**     Sen. moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Okerlund adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Minutes were reported by Lorna Wells, Secretary

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Sen. Ralph Okerlund, Committee Chair

