

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND
ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE**

415 State Capitol, Utah State Capitol Complex
Wednesday, February 8, 2012

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

Staff Present: Mr. J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
Ms. Cheryl Weight, Committee Secretary

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

Committee Chair Okerlund called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2012 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Davis and Sen. Hinkins absent for the vote.

H.C.R. 6 Navajo Electrification Demonstration Project Concurrent Resolution (*Rep. C. Watkins*) (**Sen. D. Hinkins**)

Rep. Watkins introduced and explained the resolution.

MOTION: Sen Dayton moved to pass the resolution out favorably. The motion passed, with Sen. Anderson voting in opposition.

S.B. 84 Water Skiing Amendments (*Sen. C. Anderson*)

Sen. Anderson introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to proceed to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Okerlund relinquished the chair to Sen. Christensen.

S.B. 61 Invasive Species Amendments (*Sen. R. Okerlund*)

Sen. Okerlund introduced and explained the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Kyle Stephens, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Agriculture and Food
Mr. Robert Hougaard, Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture and Food
Food
Mr. Sterling Brown, Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau
Mr. Gordon Younker, Executive Vice President, Utah Association of Conservation District

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

Sen. Okerlund resumed the Chair.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Okerlund adjourned the meeting at 3:15.

Minutes were reported by Cheryl Weight, Committee Secretary.

Sen. Ralph Okerlund, Committee Chair