

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

415 State Capitol, Utah State Capitol Complex

February 22, 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 4:25 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Anderson moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2012 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen, Sen. Davis, and Sen. Dayton absent for the vote.

H.C.R. 9 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing 75th Anniversary of Ducks Unlimited (C. Oda)

Rep. Oda presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Barry Crose, Regional Director, Ducks Unlimited
Mr. Scott Sabey, Chairman, Southvalley Chapter, Ducks Unlimited
Ms. Robin Thomas, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources

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

H.B. 86 Posting of Trespass (J. Mathis)

Rep. Mathis presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Robin Thomas, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources

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

H.B. 485 S01 Change Application Amendments (R. Wilcox)

Rep. Wilcox presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Boyd Clayton, Deputy State Engineer,
 Utah Division of Water Rights
 Mr. Keith Denos, General Manager,
 Provo River Water Users Association
 Mr. Mark Anderson, Assistant General Manger,
 Weber Basin Water Conservancy District

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

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

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to place H.C.R. 9 which was discussed earlier, on the consent calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 195 Petroleum and Underground Storage Tank Fees (G. Hughes)

Sen. Hillyard presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Tani Downing, Director of Risk Management

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

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S.B. 87 Predator Control Funding (D. Hinkins)

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to replace S.B. 87 with 1st Sub. S.B. 87. The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Hinkins presented and explained this bill.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Jim Karpowitz, Director, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources

Spoke for the bill Ms. Gerald Haycock, Historian, Sons of Utah Pioneers
 Mr. Ryan Benson, Big Game Forever
 Mr. Leland Pollock, Garfield County Commissioner
 Mr. Sterling Brown, Vice President of Public Policy, Utah Farm
 Bureau

Spoke against the bill: Mr. Bob Rooster, Utah Environmental Congress

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

Sen. Okerlund relinquished the chair to Sen. Dayton.

S.J.R. 16 Joint Resolution Recognizing the Hole-in-the-rock San Juan Mission Historic Trail (R. Okerlund)

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to replace S.J.R. 16 with 1st Sub. S.J.R. 16. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Christensen absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to amend S.J.R. 16 as follows:

1. Page 5, Lines 125 through 128:

125 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah urges the
 Board
126 of State Parks and Recreation to designate additional trails within the state of Utah as state
127 historic , scenic, or recreational trails, if the trails are determined by the board to be
 of statewide significance and to
128 meet other criteria as defined by the board.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Okerlund presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Dell LeFever, Garfield County Commissioner
 Mr. Gerald Haycock, Historian, Sons of Utah Pioneers

Sen. Dayton relinquished the chair to Sen. Hinkins.

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

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Okerlund adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes were reported by Lorna Wells, Secretary