

**1MINUTES OF THE SENATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & WORKFORCE
SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 215, Senate Building
February 26, 2013

Members Present: Sen. Aaron Osmond, Chair
Sen. Patricia W. Jones
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Karen Mayne
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Sen. Stuart C. Reid
Sen. Jerry Stevenson

Staff Present: Mr. Ben Christensen, Policy Analyst
Ms. Karen Allred, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Osmond called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to adopt the minutes of February 22, 2013. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Jones, Sen. Reid and Sen. Stevenson absent for the vote.

S.B. 212 Judicial Code Amendments (*R. Okerlund*)

Sen. Okerlund introduced and explained the bill assisted by Andrew Wright, Utah Defense Lawyers Association.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Chris Purcell, Attorney, State Farm
Mike Sonntag, Lobbyist, Bear River Insurance
Justin Stewart, Attorney

Spoke in opposition to the bill: Charles Thronson, Attorney, Utah Association for Justice
Steve Sullivan, Attorney, Robert DeBry & Associates
Roger Griffin, Attorney, Craig Swapp and Associates

MOTION: Sen. Reid moved to transmit **S.B. 212** favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Jones and Sen. Mayne voting in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Knudson moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Osmond adjourned the meeting at 8:37 a.m.

Sen. Aaron Osmond, Committee Chair