

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

415 State Capitol, Utah State Capitol Complex
February 6, 2013

Members Present: Sen. Scott K. Jenkins, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. Jim Dabakis
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Sen. Evan Vickers

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

Approval of Minutes - There were no minutes to approve.

S.B. 32 Environmental Health Scientist Act Sunset Reauthorization (G. Davis)

Sen. Davis presented and explained this bill.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Dr. Robert Rolfs, Utah Department of Health
Mr. Kyle Stephens, Deputy Commission, Utah Department of
Agriculture and Food
Mr. Eric Peterson, Environmental Health Scientist, Salt Lake
Valley Health

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to pass the bill out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 36 Storm Water Capture Amendments (J. Nielson)

Rep. Nielson presented and explained this bill.

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 5, Lines 139 through 143:

139 (6) Beneficial use of water under Subsection (2)(b) does not constitute a water right
140 and may not be:
141 (a) changed under Section 73-3-3;
142 (b) assigned; [[or]]

143 (c) consolidated with a water right ~~[[]]~~ ; or
(d) used as a basis to establish the availability of water for land use
development.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass the bill out of committee as amended with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Sen. Hinkins voting in opposition and Sen. Okerlund absent for the vote.

Spoke for the amendment: Mr. Rusty Vetter, Salt Lake City Attorney's office

Spoke against the amendment: Mr. Fred Cox, citizen

Spoke to the amendment: Mr. Mark Stratford - Attorney, Ogden City,
Utah League of Cities and Towns

H.B. 29 Adjudication of Water Rights (J. Briscoe)

Rep. Briscoe presented and explained the bill.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Mr. Kent Jones, Utah State Engineer

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass the bill out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Okerlund absent for the vote.

S.B. 109 Change Application Procedure (R. Okerlund)

The bill was moved to the agenda for the February 7, 2013 meeting.

S.B. 157 Daylight Saving Time Amendments (S. Urquhart)

Sen. Urquhart presented and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

Minutes were reported by Lorna Wells, Secretary