

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE  
Room 20, House Building  
February 12, 2014**

**Members Present:** Rep. Jack Draxler, Chair  
Rep. Ken Ivory, Vice Chair  
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck  
Rep. Janice Fisher  
Rep. Keith Grover  
Rep. John Mathis  
Rep. Mike Noel  
Rep. Lee Perry  
Rep. Kraig Powell

**Staff Present:** Mr. Brian Bean, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Becky Paulson, Committee Secretary

**Note:** A list of visitors and handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Vice Chair Ivory called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

**H.B. 333 Payroll Services Amendments (Rep. R. Spendlove)**

Rep. Spendlove explained the bill with the assistance of Scott Jones, Finance Director, Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind.

Spoke for the bill: Wendy Peterson, Deputy Director, State of Utah, Department of Human Resource Management

Spoke to the bill: Bruce Williams, Superintendent, Utah State Office of Education

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Grover and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

**1st Sub. H.B. 38 Resource Stewardship Amendments (Rep. P. Arent)**

Rep. Arent explained the bill. The handout, "2nd Sub. HB 38 - Resource Stewardship Amendments", was passed out to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Powell moved to replace 1st Substitute HB38 with 2nd Substitute HB38. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Grover, Rep. Mathis, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

Spoke for the bill: Jeff Edwards, President, Economic Development Corporation of Utah  
Mark Thomas, Clifton Consulting

Ann O'Connell, League of Women Voters of Utah  
Hans Ehrbar, Associate Professor, University of Utah

**MOTION:** Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to pass 2nd Substitute HB38 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Draxler absent for the vote.

**H.B. 66      Municipal Enterprise Fund Amendments (*Rep. B. Wilson*)**

This bill was not considered.

**H.B. 252      Absentee Ballot Amendments (*Rep. J. Bird*)**

Rep. Bird explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Grover moved to replace HB252 with 1st Substitute HB252. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Draxler absent for the vote.

Spoke to the bill:                      Mark Thomas, Lieutenant Governor's Office

Spoke against the bill:              Lynn Pace, Deputy City Attorney, Salt Lake City  
Arie Van De Graff, Utah Association of Counties  
Jennifer Morrell, Weber County Elections  
Rozan Mitchel, Election Director, Salt Lake County Elections

**MOTION:** Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to amend the bill.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Rep. Noel moved to pass the bill out favorably. The substitute motion failed with Rep. Mathis, Rep. Noel and Rep. Ivory voting in favor of the bill. Rep. Draxler was absent for the vote.

The committee then returned to the original motion to amend. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Draxler absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Powell moved to hold the bill. The motion passed with Rep. Mathis and Rep. Noel voting in opposition. Rep. Draxler was absent for the vote.

**H.B. 262      Local Governing Body Voting Amendments (*Rep. K. Powell*)**

Rep. Powell explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Powell moved to replace HB262 with 2nd Substitute HB262. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Draxler, Rep. Mathis and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to pass 2nd Substitute HB 262 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Draxler absent for the vote.

**H.B. 302 Voting Records Amendments (*Rep. L. Perry*)**

Rep. Perry explained the bill with the assistance of Rep. Edwards. The handout, "Registered Voters in the State of Utah, U.S.A.", was distributed to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to replace HB302 with 1st Substitute HB302. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Draxler and Rep. Powell absent for the vote.

Spoke for the bill:                   Troy Rawlings, Davis County Attorney  
  Crystal Bryant, Citizen  
  Mark Thomas, Lieutenant Governor's Office

Spoke against the bill:           Frank Pignanelli, Utah Media Coalition

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to pass 1st Substitute HB302 out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Powell voting in opposition. Rep. Draxler was absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Noel moved to adjourn the meeting.

Vice Chair Ivory adjourned the meeting at 3:58 p.m.

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Rep. Jack Draxler, Chair