

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 20, House Building
February 27, 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.

Chair Draxler called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

H.B. 392 Delegate Responsibility Amendments (Rep. K. Powell)

Rep. Powell explained the bill with the assistance of Fritz Pettyjohn, Balanced Budget Amendment Task Force. The handouts, "The Constitution of the United States", "Convention of States, Answering the Most Important Questions", "Convention of States, Jo Wolverton and the JBS-LOL", and the packet, "Debt, Deficits, and the Balanced Budget Amendment", were passed out to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Candace Daly, National Federation of Independent Business
Jerry White, citizen

Spoke against the bill: Jason Christensen, citizen
John Udy, citizen
Peter Anderson, Sons of the American Revolution

MOTION: Rep. Powell moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 1, Lines 9 through 14:

9 This bill establishes requirements for a Utah delegate to a United States

~~{constitutional}~~ Article V

10 convention.

11 Highlighted Provisions:

12 This bill:

- 13 ▶ defines terms;
- 14 ▶ prohibits a Utah delegate to a United States ~~{-constitutional}~~ Article V convention from voting to

2. *Page 2, Lines 27 through 28:*

- 27 Section 1. Section ~~{-63G-19-101}~~ 20A-17-101 is enacted to read:
- 28 ~~{-63G-19-101. Constitutional}~~ 20A-17-101. Article V convention delegates.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fisher and Rep. Grover absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Powell moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. *Page 1, Line 23 through 24:*

- 23 ENACTS:
- 24 ~~{-63G-19-101}~~ 20A-17-101, Utah Code Annotated 1953

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. *Page 3, Line 61:*

- 61 (6) A delegate who violates this section is guilty of a ~~{-class A misdemeanor}~~ second degree felony.

The motion passed with Rep. Grover voting in opposition.

MOTION: Rep. Noel moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Chavez-Houck, Rep. Fisher, Rep. Grover, and Rep. Draxler voting in opposition.

H.J.R. 8 Joint Resolution Proposing a Balanced Budget Amendment to the United States Constitution (Rep. K. Powell)

Rep. Powell explained the bill with the assistance of Fritz Pettyjohn. The handout, "Article XIII, Section 5. [Use and amount of taxes and expenditures.]" was passed out to the committee Sharon Anderson, citizen, passed out "Twenty Questions About a Constitutional Convention" to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Candace Daly, National Federation of Independent Business
Jerry White, citizen

Spoke against the bill: Sharon Anderson, citizen
Kay Garske, citizen
Gayle Rozicka, Utah Eagle Forum

MOTION: Rep. Ivory moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Chavez-Houck, Rep. Fisher, Rep. Grover, and Rep. Draxler voting in opposition.

H.B. 394 Campaign Finance Revisions (Rep. J. Dunnigan)

Rep. Dunnigan introduced the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mark Thomas, Lieutenant Governor's Office
Rep. Patrice Arent

Spoke to the bill: Thomas Vaughn, Associate General Council, Office of Legislative
Research and General Counsel
Maryann Martindale, Alliance for a Better Utah

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 22, Lines 656 through 658:

656 (1) Within 30 days after the day on which a regulated officeholder is required to file
a
657 financial disclosure form under Subsection 20A-11-1604(3)(a)(i), (b)(i), or (c)(i), the
lieutenant
658 governor shall review each filed {summary report} financial disclosure form
to ensure that:

The motion passed with Rep. Mathis and Rep. Ivory absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Ivory absent for the vote.

H.B. 390 Unlawful Activities Amendments (Rep. R. Chavez-Houck)

Rep. Chavez-Houck introduced the bill.

Spoke to the bill: Thomas Vaughn, Associate General Council, Office of Legislative
Research and General Counsel

MOTION: Rep. Fisher moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

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MOTION: Rep. Fisher moved to adjourn the meeting.

Chair Draxler adjourned the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

Rep. Jack Draxler, Chair