

**MINUTES OF THE
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE**
Tuesday, August 23, 2005 – 9:00 a.m. – Room W135 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. Howard A. Stephenson, Senate Chair
Rep. David Ure, House Chair
Sen. Ed Mayne
Sen. Michael G. Waddoups
Sen. Mark B. Madsen
Rep. James R. Gowans
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold

Members Excused:

Sen. Mike Dmitrich
Rep. Kory M. Holdaway

Staff Present:

Mr. Arthur L. Hunsaker, Policy Analyst
Ms. Susan Creager Allred, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Tracey Fredman, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present, copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Committee Business

Chair Stephenson called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2005 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

2. R398-1 Newborn Screening

Sen. Stephenson introduced the issue.

Dr. David Sundwall, Executive Director, Department of Health, distributed a draft entitled "Start Your Baby on the Right Foot," and "Inborn Errors of Metabolism Identified by Tandem Mass Spectrometry." He commented that screening is done only for conditions for which there is a known preventative measure or treatment available, and that there is a reliable diagnostic test that can detect those conditions.

Dr. Sundwall said if it is the will of the Committee, they will be specific in the rule as to what tests are conducted.

Mr. Lyle Odendahl, Assistant Attorney General, commented that listing each disease would result in a long list of unknown diseases and responded to questions from the Committee.

Ms. Allred commented that an amendment to the statute may be required to reflect the need to require additional and more specific diagnostic testing on newborns.

Ms. Sharon Ernst, Metabolic Dietician, University of Utah, said that in general most parents are delighted to have the opportunity to have their babies tested so that they can be treated with preventative measures where possible.

Mr. Nicola Longs, MD, Professor of Pediatrics, U of U, Primary Children's Hospital, commented on the importance of newborn screening and responded to questions from the Committee.

3. Report from Committee Chairs and Committee Discussion: Executive Orders

Sen. Stephenson reviewed the issue and said that the Chairs would like recommend that the Committee not act on this issue at this time.

Committee discussion followed.

4. Committee Discussion: Rules Issues for Future Meetings

No issues were brought up for discussion.

5. Committee Business

Future meetings were scheduled for September 13, 2005 and September 27, 2005.

Sen. Stephenson commented on committee member reading assignments from the bimonthly bulletin.

Mr. Hunsaker reviewed the process and said that he would send a copy of the list of areas to each Committee member to review. He said there are openings in: 1) Commerce; 2) Education, Public Safety and Transportation; and 3) Human Services, Labor, and Workforce Services.

6. Adjourn

Rep. Gowans moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting passed unanimously. Rep. Ure was absent for the vote.

Chair Stephenson adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.