

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 250, Utah State Capitol

February 2, 2016

Members Present: Sen. Evan J. Vickers, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Sen. Brian E. Shiozawa
Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell

Staff Present: Mr. Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst
Ms. Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Vickers called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2016 meeting.
The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Shiozawa absent for the vote.

Sen. Vickers relinquished the chair to Sen. Christensen.

S.B. 56 Nurse Practice Act Amendments (*Sen. E. Vickers*)

Sen. Vickers explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Ms. Carol Davis

Spoke for the bill: Ms, Aimee McLean, President, Utah Nurses Association
Mr. David Gessel, Executive Vice President, Utah Hospital Association
Mr. Frank Pignanelli, Attorney, Utah Association of Private Sector Schools

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Shiozawa absent for the vote.

Sen. Vickers resumed the chair.

S.B. 79 Child Welfare Revisions (*Sen. A. Jackson*)

MOTION: Sen. Knudson moved S.B. 79 be replaced with 1st Sub S.B. 79, Child Welfare Revisions. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Shiozawa absent for the vote.

Sen. Jackson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Brent Platte, Director of the Division of Child and Family Services within the Department of Human Services

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Connor Boyack, President, Libertas Institute of Utah
Ms. Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum
Mr. Dan Deul, Chairman of Legislative Affairs, National Parents Organization of Utah

Spoke against the bill: Ms. Tabbi Alverson, Former Foster Youth
Ms. Laurieann Thorpe, Foster Families of Utah
Ms. Renee Calkin, Level 3 Foster Parent
Ms. Stacey Snyder, Director, Office of Guardian ad Litem

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion failed with Sen. Christensen, Sen. Knudson and Sen. Van Tassell voting in favor, and Sen. Escamilla, Sen. Shiozawa, and Sen. Vickers voting in opposition.

H.C.R. 2 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing the 40th Anniversary of the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act (*Rep. P. Ray*)

Rep. Ray explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Marc Watterson, American Heart and Stroke Association

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously

S.B. 108 Birthing Center Amendments (*Sen. D. Henderson*)

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved S.B. 108 be replaced with 1st Sub. S.B. 108, Birthing Center Amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Henderson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. David Gessel, Executive Vice President, Utah Hospital Association

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Suzanne Smith, Registered Agent, Better Birth
Ms. Holly Richardson
Ms. Teresa Blaire, Certified Nurse Midwife, Birthing Your Way

MOTION: Sen. Knudson moved to pass the bill out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The substitute motion failed with Sen. Christensen voting in favor.

The original motion passed with Sen. Christensen and Sen. Shiozawa voting in opposition.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Vickers adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Sen. Evan J. Vickers, Chair