

**MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & POLITICAL  
SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 415, Utah State Capital

March 1, 2016

**Members Present:** Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. David Hinkins  
Sen. Alvin B. Jackson  
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

**Members Excused:** Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard

**Staff Present:** Ms. Megan Bolin, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Lori Brinkerhoff, Secretary

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

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

**S.B. 233 Government Immunity Act Amendments (*Sen. C. Bramble*)**

Sen. Bramble explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Thatcher moved to pass S.B. 233 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Hinkins absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Jackson moved to accept the minutes from Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Hinkins absent for the vote.

Chair Dayton yielded the chair to Sen. Jackson.

**S.B. 227 Private Security Licensing Board Amendments (*Sen. M. Dayton*)**

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to replace S.B. 227 with 1<sup>st</sup> Sub. S.B. 227. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Hinkins absent for the vote.

Sen. Dayton explained the bill to the committee with assistance from John Tinsley, CEO, Centurion Security.

Spoke for the bill: Perry Rose, Chairman, Contract Security Licensing Board

Spoke to the bill: Michelle Pallmer, VP Private Investigator Institute

Spoke against the bill: David Spatafore, Chief of Police Association

**MOTION:** Sen. Dayton moved to move to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hinkins absent for the vote.

Sen. Jackson yielded the chair to Chair Dayton.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass S.B. 227 out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Thatcher voting in opposition.

**H.B. 359 Political Subdivision Ethics Commission Amendments (*Rep. J. Draxler*)**

Rep. Draxler explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the Bill: Mark Thomas, Assistant to Lieutenant Governor

**MOTION:** Sen. Jackson moved to pass H.B. 359 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to place H.B. 359 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sub. H.B. 110 Election Law Changes (*Rep. C. Hall*)**

Rep. Hall explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke against the bill: Stan Rasmussen, Sutherland Institute  
Brad Asay, President, AFT Utah

**MOTION:** Sen Hinkins moved to pass 3<sup>rd</sup> Sub. H.B. 110 out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Thatcher voting in opposition.

**H.B. 285 Board of Examiners Meeting Notice Amendments (*Rep. R. Chavez-Houck*)**

Rep. Chavez-Houck explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Escamilla move to pass H.B. 285 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Escamilla moved to place H.B. 285 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

**H.J.R. 005      Joint Rules Resolution on Redistricting Standards (*Rep. M. Nelson*)**

Rep. Nelson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill:      Laura Nelson, Utah League of Women Voters

**MOTION:**      Sen. Thatcher moved to move to the next item on the agenda. The motion failed with Sen. Escamilla, Sen. Jackson, and Chair Dayton voting in opposition, and Sen. Hinkins absent for the vote.

**MOTION:**      Sen. Escamilla move to pass H.J.R. 005 out favorably. The motion failed with Sen. Jackson and Sen. Thatcher voting in opposition, and Sen. Hinkins absent for the vote.

**S.B. 228      Multicounty Assessing and Collecting Levy Amendments (*Sen H. Stephenson*)**

Sen. Stephenson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill:      Arie Van De Graaff, Utah Association of Counties

**MOTION:**      Sen. Thatcher moved to pass S.B. 228 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hinkins and Sen. Jackson absent for the vote.

**MOTION:**      Sen. Thatcher moved to place S.B. 228 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hinkins and Sen. Jackson absent for the vote.

**HB 220      Legislative Organization Amendments (*Rep. L. Christensen*)**

This bill was not heard.

**HJR 11      Joint Resolution Designating Utah as a Purple Heart State (*Rep. F. Cox*)**

This bill was not heard.

**MOTION:**      Sen. Thatcher moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hinkins and Sen. Jackson absent for the vote.

Chair Dayton adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

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Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair

