

Senate Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and Criminal Justice Committee

2/27/2025

Bill: 2nd Substitute HB 366 – Access to Communication Device Location Information Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Cory A. Maloy

Floor Sponsor: Senator David P. Hinkins

UASD Position: Support

This Bill concerns access to communication device location information.

Discussion: Representative Maloy presented the Bill, which aims to ensure that phone service providers respond as quickly as possible when law enforcement determines an individual is in immediate danger. The legislation expands the definition of location data and includes “missing persons at risk of harm” among the urgent cases requiring priority access. It also establishes procedures for law enforcement warrant requests and protects mobile service providers from civil liability when acting in good faith.

Candace Cooley shared her personal experience with her late son, emphasizing the importance of this Bill in helping locate individuals more quickly to save lives. The Bill seeks to enhance emergency response efforts, improve law enforcement access to location data, clarify key definitions, standardize request procedures, and limit liability for mobile service providers.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

N/V: 4

Outcome: 2nd Substitute HB 366 passed out of the Committee with a favorable recommendation.
