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Senate Floor Time

Bill: 1st substitute SB 27 – Assault or Threat of Violence Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Gwynn

Floor Sponsor: Senator Ipson

UASD Position: Support and Amend

This Bill addresses the offense of assault or threat of violence against a peace officer or military service member.

Discussion: Senator Ipson presented the Bill. The Senate concurred with the House amendment. There was no further discussion.

Yeas: 26

Nays: 3

N/V: 0

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 27 passed out of the Senate

Bill: HB 17 – Public Infrastructure District Meeting Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Welton

Floor Sponsor: Senator Brammer

UASD Position: Track

This Bill requires public infrastructure district meetings be held at a location in the boundaries of the public infrastructure district subject to certain exceptions.

Discussion: Senator Brammer presented the Bill. There was no further discussion.

Yeas: 26

Nays: 0

N/V: 3

Outcome: HB 17 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: HB 77 – Tax Modifications

Sponsor: Representative Eliason

Floor Sponsor: Senator McCay

UASD Position: Track

This Bill modifies tax provisions.

Discussion: Senator McCay presented HB 77. During debate, Senator Fillmore raised a concern about a possible change to how Utah links its income tax system to federal adjusted gross income (“AGI”). Specifically, he wanted clarification on whether the Bill would cause Utah to decouple

from AGI as the starting point for calculating state income taxes. The sponsor clarified that the Bill does not decouple Utah's income tax from federal AGI, and that maintaining this connection is one reason the fiscal note projects a positive revenue impact. Senator McCay also explained that the Bill makes Utah's State and Local Tax (SALT) workaround permanent, referring to the mechanism that allows certain pass-through entities to pay state taxes at the entity level to mitigate the effects of the federal SALT deduction cap.

Yeas: 27

Nays: 1

N/V: 1

Outcome: HB 77 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 4th substitute HB 45 – Fire Code Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Peterson

Floor Sponsor: Senator Vickers

UASD Position: Support

This Bill modifies the State Fire Code Act.

Discussion: Senator Vickers presented the Bill. Senator Winterton asked whether adopting newer building codes would raise costs for homebuilders. It was explained that the Bill is intended to reduce costs by aligning expectations between builders and inspectors and making compliance more efficient. Senator Riebe expressed concern about “glazing” requirements related to school safety and the potential cost of retrofitting school entrances, suggesting they could act as unfunded mandates. Senator Vickers clarified that the Bill does not impose new construction requirements but instead recodifies existing definitions in the building code and aligns the school safety and daycare codes to ensure consistency and clarity across regulations.

Yeas: 27

Nays: 0

N/V: 2

Outcome: 4th substitute HB 65 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 1 substitute HB 69 – Drinking Water Restructuring Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Albrecht

Floor Sponsor: Senator Stratton

UASD Position: Support

This Bill addresses violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Discussion: Senator Stratton presented the Bill. There was no further discussion.

Yeas: 26

Nays: 0

N/V: 3

Outcome: 1st substitute HB 69 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: SB 39 – Investment Zones Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Whyte

UASD Position: Track

This Bill enacts, renumbers, amends, and repeals certain provisions of certain investment zones within the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity.

Discussion: Senator Harper presented the Bill. There was no further discussion.

Yeas: 23

Nays: 2

N/V: 4

Outcome: SB 39 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: SB 144 – Relocation Assistance Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Balderree

Floor Sponsor: Representative Hansen

UASD Position: Track

This Bill modifies the Utah Relocation Assistance Act.

Discussion: Senator Balderree presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 25

Nays: 0

N/V: 4

Outcome: SB 144 passed the Senate second reading and will be read for a third time.
