

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 269 – Ambulance Provider Payment Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Maloy

Floor Sponsor: Senator Vickers

UASD Position: Support

This Bill amends provisions regarding ambulance provider payments.

Discussion: The sponsor explained that the intent of this Bill is to ensure ambulance providers are paid accurately and predictably for the services they provide. The Bill updates the reimbursement structure for ambulance services, removes statutory provisions that create instability in payment, and addresses challenges providers face in recouping expenses associated with service delivery, including vehicle-related costs.

The sponsor explained that the Bill establishes a single fee to cover services provided, simplifies the reimbursement process for insurance companies, and allows for predictable, limited annual adjustments. The Bill also creates a mileage rate for rural areas, eliminates balance billing, and provides that insurance providers would not be required to pay more than the established base rate. Additionally, the Bill removes the existing sunset provision.

The President of the Rural EMS Directors Association of Utah and the Chief of the Draper City Fire Department spoke in support of the Bill.

Yeas: 4

Nays: 0

N/V: 3

Outcome: 2nd substitute HB 269 passed out of the Committee with a favorable recommendation.
