

Evening Senate Floor Time

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Bill: 4th 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 presented the 4th substitute, explaining that it removes the provisions that resulted in a fiscal note requiring approximately \$202,200 from the General Fund annually, along with related federal Medicaid matching funds and a smaller amount from the Medicaid ACA Fund. The sponsor stated that the substitute retains the provisions under which the Bill could increase federal funds revenue to the Utah Department of Health and Human Services by approximately \$702,600 annually beginning in FY 2027. The sponsor further stated that the substitute decreases the amount distributed to ambulance carriers. The Senate adopted the substitute. The sponsor then presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 26

Nays: 0

N/V: 3

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 4th substitute HB 269 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate. It was sent to the House for concurrence.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 416 - Firefighter Cancer Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Teuscher

Floor Sponsor: Senator Sandall

UASD Position: Support

This Bill creates the Firefighter Cancer Benefit Trust Fund.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the Bill. Senator Harper and Buss rose in support. No further discussion ensued

Yeas: 27

Nays: 0

N/V: 2

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 6th substitute HB 259 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate. It was sent to the House for concurrence.

Bill: 6th substitute HB 259 - Parental Access to Children's Medical Records Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Petersen

Floor Sponsor: Senator Brammer
UASD Position: Track

This Bill amends provisions related to parent access to a minor's medical record.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 6th substitute, explaining that it reduces the fine for parents who fail to provide required information and makes minor wording changes. The Senate adopted the substitute. The sponsor then presented the Bill.

Senator Escamilla asked how a facility would know if a child were emancipated. The sponsor responded that the facility would need to be informed of the emancipation. If the facility is not informed, it would be required to send the records to the parents. Senator Escamilla also asked whether a facility would still be subject to the fine if records were submitted by mistake. The sponsor clarified that the fine applies only if a facility fails to submit the records, not if records are submitted in error.

Senator Vickers asked about the implementation date for the penalty, noting that it appeared to be moved to the end of 2027. The sponsor confirmed that the implementation date is the end of 2027 and reiterated that the fine was significantly reduced. Senator Vickers also asked whether the Bill would change existing protections that allow certain minors to keep specific information confidential, such as in cases involving sexual activity. The sponsor responded that if a counselor believes the information should remain confidential, the counselor may make that determination, but the minor may not.

Senator Cullimore expressed concern that the Bill could create liability and that existing healthcare operating systems might make compliance difficult. The sponsor stated that the implementation date for vendors is the end of next year to allow time for healthcare systems to make the necessary adjustments.

Senator Plumb raised concern that the Bill could conflict with federal law. The sponsor responded that there is currently no federal statute that would conflict with the Bill. Senator Ipson spoke in support of the Bill.

Yeas: 22
Nays: 6
N/V: 1

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 6th substitute HB 259 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate. It was sent to the House for concurrence.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 147 - Government Form Submission Amendments
Sponsor: Representative Teuscher
Floor Sponsor: Senator Vickers
UASD Position: Track; amended

This Bill addresses when a government entity is required to provide an electronic filing option to a person submitting information to the government entity.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 4th substitute, stating that it delays the implementation date for smaller special districts and special service districts with less than \$1 million in revenue to January 1, 2030. The amended language provides the same delayed implantation date for all government entities whose annual revenue or expenses are less than \$1 million. The Senate adopted the substitute. The sponsor presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 27

Nays: 0

N/V: 2

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 3rd substitute HB 147 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate. It was sent to the House for concurrence.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 514 - Utah Energy Council Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Walters

Floor Sponsor: Senator Milner

UASD Position: Track; amended

This Bill creates the Utah Energy Infrastructure Service District and modifies provisions relating to the Utah Energy Council.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 2nd substitute, which was requested by the Finance Commissioner and the State Treasurer. The substitute limits the Bill to a single project and establishes a financing structure that would allow bonds to be issued. The substitute also ensures that the authority granted in the Bill is limited specifically to IPP projects. The Senate adopted the substitute. The sponsor then presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 22

Nays: 5

N/V: 2

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 2nd substitute HB 514 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate. It was sent to the House for concurrence.

Bill: 1st substitute SB 324 - Outcome-based Investment Grant Pilot Framework

Sponsor: Senator Musselman

Floor Sponsor: Representative K. Peterson

UASD Position: Track

This Bill establishes the Outcome-based Investment Grant Pilot Framework to provide a process for administering certain grant funding for projects using measurable outcomes.

Discussion: The sponsor motioned to concur with the amendments adopted by the House. The sponsor explained that House Amendment 1 clarifies that the evaluation framework will be developed by the Legislative Fiscal Analysts. The change is primarily a drafting correction and does not alter the policy of the legislation. The Senate concurred with the amendments made by the House.

Yeas: 19

Nays: 6

N/V: 4

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 324 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 123 - Sex, Kidnap, and Child Abuse Offender Registration Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Acton

Floor Sponsor: Senator Winterton

UASD Position: Track

This Bill amends provisions related to registration on the Sex, Kidnap, and Child Abuse Offender Registry.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 3rd substitute, which was adopted by the Conference Committee. The senate adopted the Conference Committee Report. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 27

Nays: 0

N/V: 2

Outcome: 3rd substitute HB 123 passed out of the Senate.