

Morning House Floor Time

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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 moved that the House concur with the amendments adopted by the Senate and clarified that a sex offender moving to Utah from out of state must register on Utah's sex offender registry. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 73

Nays: 0

N/V: 2

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

Bill: 4th substitute HB 147 – Government Forms 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 moved that the House concur with the Senate amendments, explaining that some special service districts have less than \$1 million in revenue and that the amendments allow those districts until 2030 to implement the provisions in the Bill.

Yeas: 69

Nays: 1

N/V: 5

Outcome: 4th substitute HB 147 passed out of the House.

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

Sponsor: Representative M. 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 moved that the House concur with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor explained that the amendments reduce the associated fines from \$10,000 per day to \$1,000 per day and move the compliance date back by one year.

Yeas: 56

Nays: 14

N/V: 5

Outcome: 6th substitute HB 259 passed out of the House.

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

Sponsor: Representative Walter

Floor Sponsor: Senator Millner

UASD Position: Track

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

Discussion: The sponsor motioned to concur with the amendments adopted by the Senate. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 53

Nays: 14

N/V: 8

Outcome: 2nd substitute HB 514 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute SB 201 – Shelter Animal Euthanasia Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Grover

Floor Sponsor: Representative Loubet

UASD Position: Track

This Bill deals with the treatment of dogs and cats in an animal shelter.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the Bill. Representative Chew moved to adopt a verbal floor amendment on line 34 to add the phrase “in a county of the first or second class” after the word “shelter,” explaining that smaller county shelters might face economic hardship if required to hold animals longer than necessary. Representative Chevrier spoke in opposition to the amendment, stating that reaching out to shelters is not a hardship.

Representative Kyle moved to substitute the amendment by limiting the language to apply only to “a county of the first class,” omitting second class counties. Representative Chew spoke in support of the substitute motion, while Representative Loubet and Representative Dailey-Provost spoke in opposition. Representative Thurston spoke about the current situation in animal shelters,

and Representative Dunnigan spoke against the substitute motion. Representative Kyle also spoke against the Bill.

Representative Kyle's substitute motion failed, and Representative Chew's motion to amend also failed.

Representative Snider spoke against the Bill. Representative Fiefia asked what constitutes a reasonable alternative to euthanasia, and the sponsor explained that shelters make that determination. Representative Fiefia also asked about potential litigation if such determinations were challenged in court. The sponsor replied that sick or dangerous animals fall into that category, which provides some legal protections. Representative Fiefia acknowledged the intent of the Bill but spoke in opposition. Representative Albrecht spoke about the current situation in animal shelters, and Representative Loubet noted that animal shelters across the state support the Bill.

Yeas: 44

Nays: 28

N/V: 3

Outcome: 2nd substitute SB 201 passed out of the House.

Bill: 4th substitute SB 242 – Transportation Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Christofferson

UASD Position: Track

This Bill amends provisions related to transportation, including road usage charge, towing dispatch, and local option sales tax use.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the Bill. Representative Snider moved to adopt the 4th substitute. Representative Romero asked about the differences between the provisions affecting Salt Lake City in the 3rd and 4th substitutes. The sponsor explained that the changes address transportation provisions and project-related adjustments. Representative Dominguez asked whether the substitute included provisions regarding towing and referenced line 96 related to mobile businesses. The sponsor clarified that the substitute requires towing companies to maintain an online presence but does not mandate that they operate a website. Representative Snider spoke in support of the 4th substitute, and the House adopted the substitute.

Representatives Abbott and Romero expressed concerns about the Bill. Representative T. Peterson asked about lines 720–725 regarding towing organizations and dispatch organizations, noting the work that went into the 3rd substitute. Representative T. Peterson asked how the 4th substitute modified those provisions and whether stakeholders involved in the earlier agreement had been consulted. The sponsor responded that several discussions had taken place with stakeholders, including conversations regarding the requirement for an online presence.

Yeas: 55

Nays: 14
N/V: 6

Outcome: 4th substitute SB 242 passed out of the House.

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