

Evening Senate Floor Time

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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 motioned to concur with the amendments adopted by the House. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 18

Nays: 9

N/V: 2

Outcome: 4th substitute SB 242 passed out of the Senate

Bill: 1st substitute SB 197 - Transportation Funding and Governance Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Christofferson

UASD Position: Track

This Bill amends provisions related to the governance of a large public transit district and financial reporting of public transit districts.

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

Yeas: 28

Nays: 1

N/V: 0

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 197 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 319 - Electronic Records Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Cutler

Floor Sponsor: Senator Harper

UASD Position: Support

This Bill modifies provisions relating to county recording of documents and digital authentication.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 25

Nays: 0

N/V: 4

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 2nd substitute HB 319 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 125 - Aquatic Invasive Species Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Shipp

Floor Sponsor: Senator Hinkins

UASD Position: Track

This Bill addresses requirements to operate or launch a vessel related to aquatic invasive species.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 2nd substitute which added aquatic invasive mussels to the Bill. The Senate adopted the substitute. The sponsor presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 24

Nays: 0

N/V: 5

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 2nd substitute HB 125 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 236 - Truth in Taxation

Sponsor: Representative K. Peterson

Floor Sponsor: Senator McCay

UASD Position: Track; amended

This Bill addresses property tax increases through truth in taxation.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 3rd substitute, explaining that the Utah State Tax Commission indicated there would be difficulty administering the provisions for boards that do not have an executive. The substitute clarifies that the preliminary statement regarding a proposed tax rate increase must be made by an executive officer of the taxing entity, addressing how the requirement applies to entities with different governing structures. The sponsor also presented Senate Amendment 1, which corrects a drafting error on line 193 by revising the cross-reference to properly reference Subparagraph (4)(c). The Senate adopted the 3rd substitute and Senate Amendment 1. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 28

Nays: 0

N/V: 1

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 3rd substitute HB 236, as amended, passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 4th substitute HB 492 - Transportation, Infrastructure, and Housing Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Roberts

Floor Sponsor: Senator Cullimore

UASD Position: Track

This Bill modifies transportation, infrastructure, and housing provisions.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 4th substitute, explaining that it modifies provisions related to the county of the first-class highway projects fund. The substitute authorizes the use of funds to support affordable housing infrastructure by creating a loan program and establishing a commission to evaluate affordable housing projects and award grants. The Senate adopted the 4th substitute. The sponsor then presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 24

Nays: 5

N/V: 0

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 4th substitute HB 492 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 5th substitute HB 416 - First Responder Health Modifications

Sponsor: Representative Teuscher

Floor Sponsor: Senator Sandall

UASD Position: Support

This Bill addresses health coverage and resources for first responders.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 5th substitute, explaining that the provisions of H.B. 338 were incorporated into the Bill. The substitute expands mental health access for first responders. The sponsor then presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 29

Nays: 0

N/V: 0

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 5th substitute HB 416 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 591 - Nuisance Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Jack

Floor Sponsor: Senator Brammer

UASD Position: Track

This Bill addresses private and public nuisances.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the 3rd substitute, explaining that it removes a sunset date for a statutory provision in one circumstance and creates a reporting requirement for the Attorney General regarding the abrogation of common law civil rights of action for public or private nuisance claims. The sponsor also presented Senate Amendment 1. The Senate adopted the 3rd substitute and Senate Amendment 1. The sponsor then presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 21

Nays: 6

N/V: 2

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 3rd substitute HB 591, as amended, passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 4th substitute HB 535 - Disposition of Public Property Modifications

Sponsor: Representative Walter

Floor Sponsor: Senator McCay

UASD Position: Track

This Bill deals with the disposition of certain publicly owned property.

Discussion: The sponsor presented Senate Amendment 1, explaining that it clarifies language regarding easements and other property interests and how they are treated when determining the disposition of public property and its fair market value. The amendment revises the definition of “dispose” to clarify that the term includes certain long-term arrangements that allow a private entity to use, possess, or occupy real property, such as joint ventures or lease agreements with an initial term longer than 10 years. The sponsor then presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 23

Nays: 0

N/V: 6

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 4th substitute HB 535, as amended, passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 439 - Water Planning Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Shallenberger

Floor Sponsor: Senator Stratton

UASD Position: Track

This Bill modifies provisions related to the planning of future water supply.

Discussion: The sponsor moved to circle the Bill, explaining that the Bill is no longer needed because its language will be merged into SB 284 in the House.

Yeas:

Nays:

N/V:

Outcome: 2nd substitute HB 439 was circled.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 325 - Government Records Classification Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Shepherd

Floor Sponsor: Senator Fillmore

UASD Position: Track

This Bill modifies provisions related to the classification of certain government records.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 21

Nays: 2

N/V: 6

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 3rd substitute HB 325 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 1st substitute HB 212 - County Formation Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Teuscher

Floor Sponsor: Senator McCay

UASD Position: Track and watch closely

This Bill modifies provisions related to the creation of a new county.

Discussion: The Senate failed to adopt the Bill by a vote of 14-13-2. After the Bill failed, a motion to reconsider was made and passed. The Senate subsequently voted to pass the Bill.

Yeas: 17

Nays: 12

N/V: 0

Outcome: Under suspension of the rules, 1st substitute HB 212 passed the second and third readings and passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 125 - Aquatic Invasive Species Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Shipp

Floor Sponsor: Senator Hinkins

UASD Position: Track

This Bill addresses requirements to operate or launch a vessel related to aquatic invasive species.

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: 29

Nays: 0

N/V: 0

Outcome: 3rd substitute HB 125 passed out of the Senate

Bill: 1st substitute SB 193 - State Legal Holiday Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Stratton

Floor Sponsor: Representative Brooks

UASD Position: Track

This Bill addresses state legal holidays and holy days.

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

Yeas: 20

Nays: 7

N/V: 2

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 193 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 4th substitute SB 206 - Tax Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Walter

UASD Position: Track and amended

This Bill modifies provisions relating to tax.

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

Yeas: 26

Nays: 0

N/V: 3

Outcome: 4th substitute SB 206 passed out of the Senate

Bill: 6th substitute SB 284 - Local Land and Water Modifications

Sponsor: Senator Fillmore

Floor Sponsor: Representative Koford
UASD Position: Track

This Bill modifies provisions related to local land use and water planning.

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

Yeas: 24
Nays: 3
N/V: 2

Outcome: 6th substitute SB 284 passed out of the Senate.

Bill: 6th substitute HB 492 - Transportation, Infrastructure and Housing Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Roberts
Floor Sponsor: Senator Cullimore
UASD Position: Track; amended

This Bill modifies transportation, infrastructure, and housing provisions.

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: 6th substitute HB 492 passed out of the Senate.