



LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WORKFORCE SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 | 4:00 p.m. | 110 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Jon Hawkins, Chair
Rep. Paul A. Cutler, Vice Chair
Rep. Doug Fiefia
Rep. Colin W. Jack
Rep. Verona Mauga
Rep. Grant Amjad Miller
Rep. Doug Owens

Rep. David Shallenberger
Rep. Troy Shelley

Members Absent:

Rep. Jefferson Moss

Staff Present:

Sivan Nizan, Policy Analyst
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Cutler called the meeting to order at 4:17 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Jack moved to approve the minutes of the February 13 and February 18, 2025 meetings. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 5

Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. G. Miller
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Shelley

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. D. Fiefia
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. D. Shallenberger

1. H.B. 388 Antiquities Protection Amendments (*Barlow, S.*)

Rep. Barlow introduced the bill assisted by Ian Wright, Manager, Utah's Cultural Sites Stewardship Program, State Historic Preservation Office.

Rep. Hawkins assumed the chair.

Kael Weston, resident, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Owens moved to pass H.B. 388 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 8

Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. D. Fiefia
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. G. Miller
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Shelley

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. D. Shallenberger

MOTION: Rep. Jack moved to adjourn. The motion failed with a vote of 0 - 8 - 2.



Yeas - 0

Nays - 8

Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. D. Fiefia
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. G. Miller
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Shelley

Absent - 2

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. D. Shallenberger

Sen. Winterton introduced the bill assisted by Kevin Burt, Deputy Director, Department of Workforce Services.

2. 1st Sub. S.B. 31 Refugee Services Amendments (*Winterton, R.*)

MOTION: Rep. Cutler moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 31 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 8

Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. D. Fiefia
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. G. Miller
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Shelley

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. D. Shallenberger

3. 4th Sub. S.B. 142 App Store Accountability Act (*Weiler, T.*)

Sen. Weiler introduced the bill assisted by Melissa McKay.

Caden Rosenbaum, Senior Policy Analyst, Libertas Institute, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Brooke Stephens, Civic Engagement Coordinator, Moms for America Utah, spoke in support of the bill.

Dave Davis, President, Utah Retail Merchants Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Melanie Mortensen, Utah Parents United, spoke in support of the bill.

Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in support of the bill.

Rachel Williams, Intern, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke in support of the bill.

Linda Zenger spoke in support of the bill.

Amaya Mueller, Policy Outreach Manager, Sutherland Institute, spoke in support of the bill.

Tina Seastrand, Digital Wellness Specialist, Utah PTA, spoke in support of the bill.

Aaron Segel, Director, State Government Affairs, Entertainment Software Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Michael Toscano, Executive Director, Institute of Family Studies spoke in support of the bill.

Caleb Williamson, State Public Policy Counsel, ACT The App Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.



Juan Londono, Chief Regulatory Analyst, Taxpayer Protection Alliance, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Jack moved to replace 4th Substitute S.B. 142 with 6th Substitute S.B. 142. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 8

Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. D. Fiefia
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. G. Miller
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. T. Shelley

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. D. Shallenberger

MOTION: Rep. Cutler moved to pass 6th Substitute S.B. 142 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 9

Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. D. Fiefia
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. G. Miller
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. D. Shallenberger
Rep. T. Shelley

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Moss

MOTION: Rep. Jack moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 9

Rep. P. Cutler
Rep. D. Fiefia
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. V. Mauga
Rep. G. Miller
Rep. D. Owens
Rep. D. Shallenberger
Rep. T. Shelley

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Moss

Chair Hawkins adjourned the meeting.

NOTE: H.B. 0331 was not discussed in the meeting.