



MINUTES

SENATE BUSINESS AND LABOR CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, August 18, 2025 | 11:00 a.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Sen. Evan J. Vickers, Chair
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Daniel McCay
Sen. Calvin R. Musselman
Sen. Stephanie Pitcher
Sen. Scott D. Sandall

Members Absent:

Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore

Staff Present:

Rohnin Randles, Policy Analyst
Robert Wood, Policy Analyst
Kaelie Mortensen, Administrative Assistant

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

1. Committee Business

Chair Vickers called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Musselman moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 5

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Sen. K. Cullimore
Sen. D. McCay

2. Review of Gubernatorial Nomination of Ericka Evans as executive director of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services

Ericka Evans provided a statement regarding her background and qualifications for the appointment as executive director of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services and answered committee questions.

Steve Handy, Chair, Alcoholic Beverage Services Commission, Tiffany Clason, former Executive Director, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services, and Dave Davis, President, Utah Retail Merchants Association, expressed support for the nomination of Ericka Evans as executive director.

MOTION: Sen. Sandall moved to favorably recommend the appointment of Ericka Evans as executive director of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 6

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Cullimore

3. Review of Gubernatorial Nomination of Chris Conabee as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Services Commission

Chris Conabee provided a statement regarding his background and qualifications for the appointment as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Services Commission and answered committee questions.

Tiffany Clason, former executive director, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services, expressed support for the nomination of Chris Conabee as an Alcoholic Beverage Services Commission member.

MOTION: Sen. Musselman moved to favorably recommend the appointment of Chris Conabee as a member of the Alcoholic Beverage Services Commission. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 6

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Cullimore

4. Review of Gubernatorial Nomination of Scott Kellner as a member of the State Money Management Council

Scott Kellner provided a statement regarding his background and qualifications for the appointment as a member of the State Money Management Council and answered committee questions.

Robert Spendlove, Senior Economist, Zion's Bank, and Scott Howell, former State Senator, expressed support for the nomination of Scott Kellner as a member of the State Money Management Council.

MOTION: Sen. Escamilla moved to favorably recommend the appointment of Scott Kellner as a member of the State Money Management Council. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 6

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Cullimore

5. Other Items/Adjourn

MOTION: Sen. Musselman moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 6

Sen. L. Escamilla
Sen. D. McCay
Sen. C. Musselman
Sen. S. Pitcher
Sen. S. Sandall
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Sen. K. Cullimore

Chair Vickers adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.