



# MINUTES

## BUSINESS AND LABOR INTERIM COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 15, 2025 | 8:30 a.m. | 120 Senate Building

### Members Present:

Sen. Evan J. Vickers, Chair  
Rep. A. Cory Maloy, Chair  
Sen. Daniel McCay  
Sen. Stephanie Pitcher  
Sen. Scott D. Sandall  
Sen. Todd Weiler  
Rep. Melissa G. Ballard  
Rep. Jon Hawkins  
Rep. Ken Ivory  
Rep. Jason B. Kyle  
Rep. Ashlee Matthews  
Rep. Hoang Nguyen  
Rep. Calvin Roberts  
Rep. Jake Sawyer

Rep. David Shallenberger

Rep. Norman K Thurston  
Rep. Stephen L. Whyte

### Members Absent:

Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore  
Speaker Mike Schultz  
Rep. Ryan D. Wilcox

### Staff Present:

Rohnin Randles, Policy Analyst  
Robert Wood, Policy Analyst  
Tyler Moore, Associate General Counsel  
Austin Weenig, Associate General Counsel  
Alyssa Castor, Administrative Assistant  
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](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Vickers called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

## 1. Committee Business

**MOTION:** Chair Maloy moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 10.

### Yea - 10

Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. H. Nguyen  
Rep. J. Sawyer  
Rep. D. Shallenberger  
Sen. E. Vickers  
Sen. T. Weiler  
Rep. S. Whyte

### Nay - 0

### Absent - 10

Rep. M. Ballard  
Sen. K. Cullimore  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Sen. D. McCay  
Sen. S. Pitcher  
Rep. C. Roberts  
Sen. S. Sandall  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. R. Wilcox

## 2. Office of Professional Licensure Review Sunrise Requirements

Jeff Shumway, Director, Office of Professional Licensure Review (OPLR), gave a presentation regarding the requirement that a legislator submit an application for sunrise review to the Office of Professional Licensure Review before the legislator introduces legislation.

The committee discussed possible statutory changes based on recommendations made by OPLR and asked questions of Jeff Shumway.

**MOTION:** Rep. Kyle moved to add language that repeals the provision requiring legislators to submit a sunrise review application to OPLR prior to introducing legislation that would regulate a previously unregulated profession.

Discussion to the motion.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Sen. Sandall moved to change the language to require a standing committee to consider any recommendations made by OPLR when reviewing legislation that would regulate a previously unregulated profession. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 9 - 4 - 7.

Yeas - 9

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Sen. D. McCay  
Rep. H. Nguyen  
Sen. S. Sandall  
Rep. D. Shallenberger  
Sen. E. Vickers  
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 4

Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. J. Sawyer

Absent - 7

Sen. K. Cullimore  
Sen. S. Pitcher  
Rep. C. Roberts  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. S. Whyte  
Rep. R. Wilcox

Discussion to the motion.

### **3. Office of Professional Licensure Review Annual Review: Policy Recommendations**

Margaret Busse, Executive Director, Utah Department of Commerce, provided context for the creation of the OPLR and the importance of regulation for public safety.

#### [3 - Office of Professional Licensure Review Annual Review: Policy Recommendations Presentation](#)

Jeff Shumway gave a presentation on recommendations for statutory changes arising from its review of licensing for nursing and allied health professions.

The committee asked questions of Jeff Shumway.

The committee heard public comment.

Annette Jarvis, resident, Sen. District 8, spoke against the speech and hearing policy recommendations.

McKenna Nobis, President-Elect, Utah Speech Language-Hearing Association, spoke against the speech and hearing policy recommendations and answered questions from the committee.

Harry Leibovich, Northwestern Governor, International Hearing Society, spoke against the speech and hearing policy recommendations.

Lauren Snyder, audiologist, spoke against the speech and hearing policy recommendations.

Julie Barkmeier-Kramer, professor and scientist, University of Utah Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, spoke against the speech and hearing policy recommendations and answered questions from the committee.

Jeff Shumway and Jordan Gygi, Policy Analyst, OPLR, continued with their presentation.

Michelle McComber, CEO, Utah Medical Association, spoke against the CRNA policy recommendations.

Jonathan Martin, President, Utah Society of Anesthesiology, spoke against the CRNA policy recommendations.

Rebecca Blair-Stevenson, Utah Nurses Association, spoke against the CRNA policy recommendations.

Melissa Hinton, President, Utah Nurse Practitioners, spoke against the CRNA policy recommendations.

Mark Steinagel, Director, Division of Professional Licensing, answered questions from the committee.

#### **4. Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services Audit**

##### [4 - Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services Audit Full Report](#)

Brian Dean, Legislative Deputy Auditor General, Office of the Legislative Auditor General, and Rusty Facer, Performance Audit Supervisor, Office of Legislative Auditor General, presented the Legislative Auditor's report for the 2025 Systemic Audit of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services.

##### [4 - Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services Audit Presentation](#)

Ericka Evans, Executive Director, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services, and Steve Handy, Chair, Alcoholic Beverage Services Commission, gave a presentation on the Department's response to the audit findings and provided an update on any changes related to audit recommendations.

Ericka Evans and Steve Handy responded to questions from the committee.

#### **5. Draft Legislation: Senior Care Facility Amendments**

##### [5 - Draft Legislation "Senior Care Facility Amendments"](#)

Rep. Tiara Auxier presented potential 2026 General Session draft legislation, "Senior Care Facility Amendments."

Allison Spangler, Utah Health Care Association, commented on the draft legislation.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ballard moved to approve 2026 General Session draft legislation, "Senior Care Facility Amendments," as a committee bill. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 9.

Yeas - 11

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Sen. D. McCay  
Rep. H. Nguyen  
Sen. S. Pitcher  
Rep. J. Sawyer  
Rep. D. Shallenberger  
Sen. E. Vickers  
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0

Absent - 9

Sen. K. Cullimore  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. C. Roberts  
Sen. S. Sandall  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. S. Whyte  
Rep. R. Wilcox

#### **6. Draft Legislation: Unfair and Deceptive Pricing Amendments**

##### [6 - Draft Legislation "Unfair and Deceptive Pricing Amendments"](#)

Tyler Moore introduced potential 2026 General Session draft legislation, "Unfair and Deceptive Pricing Amendments."

Katie Hass, Director, Division of Consumer Protection, gave a brief description of the draft legislation.

**MOTION:** Sen. Weiler moved to approve 2026 General Session Draft Legislation, "Unfair and Deceptive Pricing Amendments," as a committee bill. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 9.

Yeas - 11

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Sen. D. McCay  
Rep. H. Nguyen  
Sen. S. Pitcher  
Rep. J. Sawyer  
Rep. D. Shallenberger  
Sen. E. Vickers  
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 9

Sen. K. Cullimore  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Rep. J. Kyle  
Rep. C. Roberts  
Sen. S. Sandall  
Rep. M. Schultz  
Rep. N. Thurston  
Rep. S. Whyte  
Rep. R. Wilcox

**7. Other Items/Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Sen. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 9.

Yeas - 11

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. A. Maloy  
Rep. A. Matthews  
Sen. D. McCay  
Rep. H. Nguyen  
Sen. S. Pitcher  
Rep. J. Sawyer  
Rep. D. Shallenberger  
Sen. E. Vickers  
Sen. T. Weiler

Nays - 0Absent - 9

Sen. K. Cullimore  
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Chair Vickers adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.