

House Floor Time

Date: 1/27/2025

Bill: 1st substitute HB 267 – Public Sector Labor Union Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Jordan D. Teuscher

Floor Sponsor: Kirk A. Cullimore

UASD Position: TBD

This Bill amends provisions governing public employee, public safety, and public fire labor organizations.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the Bill. There was a lengthy discussion on the floor with Representatives who oppose the Bill asking a series of questions and making statements to support the thousands of members of labor unions that have reached out to them, specifically the teachers, fire, and police unions. Some lawmakers expressed their belief that 1st substitute HB 267 does not represent Utah values and that it takes away the ability for labor unions to be advocates for their members. Representative Ward said that many people feel that their labor union is their voice in the workplace. It is important to have a group represents you and your concerns. Many Representatives who support the Bill stated that nothing in this Bill prevents labor unions from existing or representing their members. The lawmakers who oppose the Bill acknowledged that while the Bill doesn't dismantle labor unions, it does create barriers to make it more difficult for members to meet and labor unions to be effective.

Yeas: 42

Nays: 32

N/V: 1

Outcome: 1st substitute HB 267 passed out of the House and will be sent to the Senate for further consideration.
