

Senate Business and Labor Committee
February 13th, 2025

Bill: 2nd substitute SB 217 – Recycling and Waste Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Wayne A. Harper

Floor Sponsor:

UASD Position: Support

This Bill addresses issues related to the disposal and recycling of electronic and solid waste.

Discussion: Senator Harper explained that this Bill addresses the proper disposal and recycling of electronic waste. The 2nd substitute was adopted by the Committee. The sponsor said the substitute modifies at the request of the Department of Environmental Quality (“DEQ”) certain effective dates and clarifies the educational requirements for retailers. The Bill defines "community collection event" and supports local efforts to collect hazardous waste in a sustainable manner by educating the public. It also reinforces existing law by prohibiting manufacturers from selling electronics in Utah without informing consumers how to dispose of them properly and requires retailers to train staff on proper disposal methods for old equipment. No discussion or public comment followed.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

N/V: 3

Outcome: 2nd substitute SB 217 passed out of the Committee with a favorable recommendation.