

## Senate Floor

2/20/2025

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### **Bill: HB 175 – House and Construction Amendments**

Sponsor: Representative Raymond P. Ward

Floor Sponsor: Senator Calvin R. Musselman

**UASD Position: Tracking**

This Bill modifies the state construction code related to housing.

Discussion: Senator Musselman presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas: 22

Nays: 0

N/V: 7

**Outcome: HB 175 passed out of the Senate.**

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### **Bill: 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute SB 197 – Property Tax Amendments**

Sponsor: Senator Daniel McCay

Floor Sponsor: TBD

**UASD Position: Tracking**

This Bill modifies provisions related to property tax.

Discussion: Senator McCay presented the 1st substitute, which will grandfather in individuals currently included in the Circuit Breaker program. Senator Harper expressed support, stating that the Bill will make the program more inclusive. Senator Winterton inquired about how the Bill will apply to a trust. The sponsor responded that he is still working with stakeholders to address this issue. The substitute was adopted, and the sponsor decided to circulate the Bill to allow the body more time to review the substitute.

Yeas:

Nays:

N/V:

**Outcome: The 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute was adopted, and the Bill was circled.**

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### **Bill: HB 47 – Public Lands Watering Rights Amendments**

Sponsor: Representative Carl R. Albrecht

Floor Sponsor: Senator Derrin R. Owens

**UASD Position: Support**

This Bill addresses livestock watering rights on public lands.

Discussion: Senator Owens presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas: 23  
Nays: 0  
N/V: 6

**Outcome: HB 47 passed out of the Senate.**

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**Bill: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 197 – Criminal Conduct Amendments**

Sponsor: Representative Ariel Defay  
Floor Sponsor: Senator Brady Brammer  
**UASD Position: Support**

This Bill amends the crime of enticing a minor and provisions related to the Sex, Kidnap, and Child Abuse Offender Registry.

Discussion: Senator Brammer presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas: 25  
Nays: 0  
N/V: 4

**Outcome: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 197 passed out of the Senate.**

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**Bill: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute HB 201 – Energy Resource Amendments**

Sponsor: Representative Colin W. Jack  
Floor Sponsor: Senator Ronald M. Winterton  
**UASD Position: Tracking**

This Bill modifies provisions related to the evaluation of integrated resource plans by the Public Service Commission.

Discussion: Senator Winterton presented the Bill, and Senator Blouin inquired about how the Bill would affect Utah's participation in the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) energy market. Senator Winterton responded that if Utah is purchasing power from that market, the Bill would have an impact. Senator Riebe expressed a desire to propose an amendment and requested that the Bill be circled. She explained that the amendment would add language to line 84 to clarify certain misunderstandings. Senator Riebe emphasized her support for a braided approach to energy, noting that renewable energy would provide greater elasticity and longevity to Utah's energy production. The floor sponsor rejected the amendment, and the motion to amend failed. Senator Hinkins spoke in favor of the original Bill, while Senator Blouin expressed doubt that the problem the Bill addresses actually exists.

Yeas: 21  
Nays: 6  
N/V: 2

**Outcome: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute HB 201 passed out of the Senate.**

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**Bill: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute SB 195 – Transportation Amendments**

Sponsor: Senator Wayne A. Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Kay J. Christofferson

**UASD Position: Support**

This Bill amends provisions related to transportation items, including road rage, wrong way driving, hybrid vehicle registration fees, and adherence to proposed phases of certain transportation developments.

Discussion: Senator Harper presented the 3<sup>rd</sup> substitute, which was adopted by the Senate. The substitute corrects the fiscal note, clarifies the hybrid vehicle fee, and mandates that a road study be conducted in cities of the first class. It also includes a coordinating clause with HB 429 at the request of the House sponsor. Additionally, the Bill clarifies the earmark from the general fund to the Transportation Investment Fund (“TIF”) to improve road maintenance.

Yeas: 19

Nays: 6

N/V: 4

**Outcome: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute SB 195 passed out of the Senate.**

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**Bill: 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute HB 81 – Fluoride Amendments**

Sponsor: Representative Stephanie Gricius

Floor Sponsor: Senator Kirk A. Cullimore

**UASD Position: Support**

This Bill addresses provisions related to water fluoridation and prescription fluoride supplements.

Discussion: Senator Cullimore presented the Bill. Senator Pitcher spoke in support of the Bill. There was no further discussion.

Yeas:

Nays:

N/V:

**Outcome: 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute HB 81 passed the senate 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and will be read for a third time.**

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**Bill: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 23 – Insurance Modifications**

Sponsor: Representative James A. Dunnigan

Floor Sponsor: Senator Evan J. Vickers

**UASD Position:**

This Bill amends provisions relating to insurance.

Discussion: Senator Vickers presented the Bill. Senator Balderree inquired whether Select Health would encourage healthy individuals to purchase expensive plans in order to subsidize the expenses of unhealthy individuals, and whether the Bill would prohibit groups of 15 or fewer from obtaining level-funded plans. The sponsor clarified that groups of 10 or more can obtain a "stop loss plan", while groups with fewer than 10 will be placed on the independent market. There was no further discussion.

Yeas: 21  
Nays: 2  
N/V: 6

**Outcome: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute passed the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and was tabled due to fiscal impact. It will be read for a third time after the Legislature adopts the budget.**

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**Bill: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 24 – Limitations on Liability Amendments**

Sponsor: Representative Nelson T. Abbott

Floor Sponsor: Senator Todd Weiler

**UASD Position: Tracking**

This Bill addresses the limitation on the liability of an employer for an employee convicted of an offense.

Discussion: Senator Weiler presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas:  
Nays:  
N/V:

**Outcome: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 24 passed the senate 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and will be read a third time.**

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**Bill: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 307 – Wildfire Funding Amendments**

Sponsor: Representative Casey Snider

Floor Sponsor: Senator Michael K. McKell

**UASD Position: Tracking and Amend**

This Bill addresses wildfires.

Discussion: Senator McKell presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas: 22  
Nays: 0  
N/V: 7

**Outcome: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 307 passed the senate 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and will be read for a third time.**

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**Bill: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute HB 48 – Wildland Urban Interface Modifications**

Sponsor: Representative Casey Snider  
Floor Sponsor: Senator Michael K. McKell  
**UASD Position: Support**

This Bill addresses efforts to oversee wildfire risks associated with wildland urban interface property.

Discussion: Senator McKell presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas: 23

Nays: 0

N/V: 6

**Outcome: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute HB 48 passed the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and was tabled due to fiscal impact. It will be read for a third time after the Legislature adopts the budget.**

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