House Floor 2/26/2025

#### Bill: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute SB 80 – Drinking Water Amendments Sponsor: Senator Scott D. Sandall Floor Sponsor: Representative Casey Snider UASD Position: Tracking and Amend

This Bill modifies the Safe Drinking Water Act to include a fee schedule.

Discussion: Representative Snider introduced the 2nd substitute for SB 80, which incorporates definitions into the Bill and ensures that both secondary and drinking water systems have the same flexibility in collecting fees. These fees will follow a set schedule but will not be determined by the Legislature under current statute. The substitute was adopted without discussion.

Yeas: 62 Nays: 7 N/V: 6

# Outcome: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute SB 80 passed out of the House.

# Bill: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute SB 61 – Energy Corridor Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Derrin R. Owens Floor Sponsor: Representative Troy Shelly **UASD Position: Tracking** 

This Bill modifies provisions related to eminent domain and the condemnation process for public utilities.

Discussion: Representative Shelley presented the Bill, which clarifies the process for obtaining or condemning land for energy corridors. Representative Ward asked if acquiring land through the federal government is more challenging than through private ownership, to which the sponsor confirmed that energy companies cannot condemn federal property. Representative Ward then inquired whether the Bill would ultimately delay the installation of energy corridors if an appeal to the federal government failed. The sponsor affirmed that companies must first demonstrate that they have exhausted all efforts with the federal government before seeking access to private lands. Representative Ward expressed concerns that this requirement could further delay projects. Representative Chew voiced frustration with the eminent domain process. Representatives Christofferson, Ivory, and Albrecht supported the Bill, emphasizing the necessity of engaging with the federal government before allowing companies to invoke eminent domain.

Yeas: 63 Nays: 6 N/V: 6

## Outcome: 3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute SB 61 passed out of the House.

**Bill: HB 247 – School Swimming and Lifeguarding Programs** Sponsor: Representative Melissa G. Ballard Floor Sponsor: TBD **UASD Position: Support** 

This Bill enacts provisions in public education related to water safety.

Discussion: Representative Ballard presented the Bill. Representatives Dominguez and Hayes spoke in support. Representative M. Peterson expressed concern that the ability to learn how to swim will only come from experience outside of the classroom.

Yeas: 38 Nays: 37 N/V: 0

Outcome: HB 247 passed out of the House.

### **Bill: 4<sup>th</sup> Substitute HB 351 – Election Day Amendments** Sponsor: Representative Ryan D. Wilcox Floor Sponsor: TBD

**UASD** Position: Tracking

This Bill establishes Election Day as a state holiday.

Discussion: Representative Wilcox presented the 4th substitute, which designates Election Day as a state holiday but not a paid day off. The sponsor noted that while there was an option to make it a commemorative holiday, he chose to classify it as a state holiday instead. He clarified that employers would not be required to provide the day off, referencing lines 595-596 of the Bill. Additionally, he explained that current law still mandates employers to grant employees two paid hours of leave to vote in person if arranged in advance. There was no further discussion.

Yeas: 69 Nays: 3 N/V: 3

Outcome: 4th Substitute HB 351 passed out of the House.

Bill: HB 298 – Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program Amendments Sponsor: Representative Douglas R. Welton Floor Sponsor: TBD UASD Position: Support This Bill amends provisions regarding the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program.

Discussion: Representative Welton presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas: 70 Nays: 0 N/V: 5

#### Outcome: HB 298 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 309 – Wildlife Amendments Sponsor: Representative Casey Snider Floor Sponsor: TBD UASD Position: Tracking and Amended

This Bill addresses state activities related to wildlife.

Discussion: Representative Snider presented the Bill. Representative Shelley referenced a recently passed Bill and inquired whether the Division of Wildlife Resources would restrict road travel without a specific license. The sponsor clarified that the public would still be permitted to use the roads. Representative Bolinder expressed support for the Bill.

Yeas: 63 Nays: 6 N/V: 6

Outcome: 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute HB 309 passed out of the House.

### Bill: 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute HB 428 – Property Tax Changes

Sponsor: Representative Jill Koford Floor Sponsor: TBD UASD Position: Delete with Concern

This Bill modifies provisions related to property tax.

Discussion: Representative Koford presented the Bill. There was no discussion.

Yeas: 73 Nays: 0 N/V: 2

Outcome: 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute HB 428 passed out of the House.