House Floor Time

March 7th, 2025

Bill: 2nd substitute SCR 3 – Concurrent Resolution Supporting Federalism Principles and Utah's Control of its Energy Future

Sponsor: Senator Wayne A. Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Carl R. Albrecht

UASD Position: Tracking

This resolution reaffirms Utah's sovereignty under the principle of federalism and asserts the state's right to determine its own energy policies.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 60 Nays: 3 N/V: 12

Outcome: 2nd substitute SCR 3 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute SB 250 – Community Development Modifications

Sponsor: Senator Kirk A. Cullimore

Floor Sponsor: Representative Bridger Bolinder

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill deals with the use of certain funding to promote home ownership and provisions related to community reinvestment agencies.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No further discussion followed.

Yeas: 66 Nays: 2 N/V: 7

Outcome: 2nd substitute SB 250 passed out of the House.

Bill: SB 254 – State Grant Revisions

Sponsor: Senator Luz Escamilla

Floor Sponsor: Representative Melissa G. Ballard

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies provisions related to state grants.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion followed.

Yeas: 72

Nays: 0 N/V: 3

Outcome: SB 254 passed out of the House.

Bill: 6th substitute SB 26 – Housing and Transit Reinvestment Zone Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Wayne A. Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative James A. Dunnigan

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill amends provisions relating to the Housing and Transit Reinvestment Zone Act.

Discussion: The sponsor explained each of the changes implemented in the 6th substitute, which was adopted by the House. He clarified that this Bill would prohibit private funds from being used for public revitalization projects. The Bill allows the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity to better collaborate with cities. The Bill has no fiscal note, as noted by the sponsor. He further explained that the Bill establishes a financing plan that leverages existing taxes.

Representative Hawkins spoke in favor of the solutions proposed in the Bill. Representative Strong asked the sponsor to clarify the no bonding aspect. The sponsor responded that while there will be bonding, it does not obligate the state. Instead, the Bill provides the financing mechanism for those bonds. Representative Walter expressed support for the Bill. Representative Christofferson asked whether the financing would roll over to other projects once the current ones are completed. The sponsor clarified that the funding would not roll over, as it is designated for a specific area. Representative Shelley inquired whether 50% of the state's sales tax would be allocated to this effort. The sponsor explained that this is incremental funding, meaning it captures new sales tax revenue generated by development growth. No further discussion followed.

Yeas: 64 Nays: 5 N/V: 4

Outcome: 6th substitute SB 26 passed out of the House.

Bill: 1st substitute SB 220 – Construction Modifications

Sponsor: Senator Calvin R. Musselman

Floor Sponsor: Representative Thomas W. Peterson

UASD Position: Support

This Bill addresses construction site storm water runoff controls.

Discussion: The 2nd substitute was adopted by the House. The sponsor stated these changes made exceptions for the Utah Department of Transportation ("UDOT") and military bases. It also allows daily penalties to be collected by cities if issues with storm drains are not corrected.

The floor sponsor presented the Bill. Representative Chew spoke to concerns regarding artificial soil removal, but he felt like the way the sponsor defined this process was proper for this circumstance. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 66 Nays: 0 N/V: 9

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 220 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute SB 215 – Emergency Medical Services Modifications

Sponsor: Senator Dennis R. Owens

Floor Sponsor: Representative Jefferson Moss

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill addresses ground ambulance interfacility transport services.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented House Amendment 2, which was adopted by the House. He explained that this amendment is a technical cleanup and removed the "sealed" portion of the Bill. The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 72 Nays: 0 N/V: 3

Outcome: 2nd substitute SB 215, as amended, passed out of the House.

Bill: 1st substitute SB 259 – State Holy Days

Sponsor: Senator Keven J. Stratton

Floor Sponsor: Representative Michael Petersen

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill amends provisions relating to certain days and commemorative periods recognized by the state.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. Representative Acton asked whether a religious organization could have a specific day recognized as a state holiday and if the Bill included a process for doing so. The sponsor clarified that the Bill does not establish such a process. Representative Acton then expressed support for the Bill. No discussion followed.

Yeas: 67 Nays: 6 N/V: 2

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 259 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 391 – Emergency Medical Services Revisions

Sponsor: Representative Hoang Nguyen Floor Sponsor: Senator Dennis R. Owens

UASD Position: Support

This Bill addresses emergency medical services.

Discussion: The House agreed to the Senate amendments. The sponsor clarified that the amendments specify that the fine applies to all EMS providers as a group rather than to individual providers. There was no further discussion.

Yeas: 71 Nays: 0 N/V: 4

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 3rd substitute HB 391 passed out of the House.

Bill: 1st substitute HB 471 – Transportation Procurement Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Calvin Roberts Floor Sponsor: Senator Wayne A. Harper

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill addresses procurements by the Department of Transportation.

Discussion: The House agreed to the amendments made by the Senate. The sponsor explained that the amendments relocate an existing section to a different part of the Bill. No further discussion followed.

Yeas: 71 Nays: 0 N/V: 4

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 1st substitute HB 471 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 504 – Financial and Conflict of Interest Disclosures by Candidates Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Lisa Shepherd Floor Sponsor: Senator Ronald M. Winterton

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill amends provisions related to campaign finance and conflict of interest disclosures.

Discussion: The House concurred with the Senate amendments. The sponsor stated that these amendments fix coordinating language. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 71 Nays: 0 N/V: 4

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 2nd substitute HB 504 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute SB 336 – Utah Fairpark Area Investment and Restoration District Modifications

Sponsor: Senator Scott D. Sandall

Floor Sponsor: Representative Ryan D. Wilcox

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies provisions relating to the Utah Fairpark Area Investment and Restoration District.

Discussion: The House adopted the 3rd substitute. The floor sponsor explained that it removes references to multiple stadiums and refines developments for the Jordan River Project. Additionally, the substitute includes technical changes to dates and percentages. The floor sponsor then presented the Bill. No discussion followed.

Yeas: 54 Nays: 16 N/V: 5

Outcome: 3rd substitute SB 336 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 160 – Professional License Degree Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Stephanie Gricius Floor Sponsor: Senator Chris H. Wilson **UASD Position: Tracking with concern**

This Bill modifies licensure requirements.

Discussion: The House concurred with the Senate amendments. The floor sponsor explained that this change combined two Bills to help advance other legislation onto the floor. She noted that this was done through bipartisan collaboration, as both Bills had previously passed out of their respective Committees unanimously. Representative Miller spoke in favor of the Bill. No discussion followed.

Yeas: 68 Nays: 0 N/V: 7

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 3rd substitute HB 160 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute SB 154 – Legislative Audit Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Brady Brammer

Floor Sponsor: Representative Jordan D. Teuscher

UASD Position: Support

This Bill enacts provisions related to certain information provided to the legislative auditor general.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill, after which Representative Loubet introduced the 3rd substitute in his name. He explained that the substitute allows the Legislative Auditor General to propose three candidates for the arbitrator role, from which the entity selects one. It also requires proof of bad faith for awarding attorney fees, consolidates language from other Bills to authorize the Legislative Auditor General to review and monitor higher education, amends the definition of "chief officer," and reaffirms the legislative auditor's constitutional authority, along with other technical changes. The House adopted the 3rd substitute, and no further discussion followed.

Yeas: 75 Nays: 0 N/V: 0

Outcome: 3rd substitute SB 154 passed out of the House.

Bill: 4th substitute SB 327 - Public Sector Labor Organization Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Lincoln Fillmore

Floor Sponsor: Representative Karen M. Peterson

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies the state labor code.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 55 Nays: 9 N/V: 11

Outcome: 4th substitute SB 327 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute SB 144 – Sexual Crimes Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Karen Kwan

Floor Sponsor: Representative Anthony E. Loubet

UASD Position: Support

This Bill addresses sexual crimes.

Discussion: The floor sponsor introduced the 3rd substitute of the Bill, explaining that it updates definitions. Representative Whyte spoke in support, while Representatives Peck and Thurston expressed confusion about the need for a 3rd substitute. The sponsor clarified that the substitute specifically addressed the definition of "female breast" in sections related to prostitution. Following this explanation, both Representatives expressed neutrality. The floor sponsor then presented the Bill. No further discussion followed.

Yeas: 69 Nays: 0 N/V: 6

Outcome: 3rd substitute SB 144 passed out of the House.

Bill: SB 280 - Retail Facility Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Evan J. Vickers

Floor Sponsor: Representative Walter R. Neil

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies provisions related to retail facility incentive payments.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. Representative Dominguez asked how the sponsor determined the 80% figure. The sponsor explained that 80% is a commonly used metric for affordable housing but clarified that the requirement must be set below 80%. No further discussion followed.

Yeas: 68 Nays: 0 N/V: 7

Outcome: SB 280 passed out of the House.

Bill: 4th substitute SB 340 – Protected Person Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Don L. Ipson

Floor Sponsor: Representative Tyler Clancy

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill enacts provisions relating to the construction of a security improvement to real property belonging to an individual who is certified to be at risk of harm.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the 4th substitute of the Bill. He explained that this helped achieve consensus with all stakeholders involved. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 63 Nays: 4

Outcome: 4th substitute SB 340 passed out of the House.

Bill: 1st substitute SB 338 – Nonprofit Entities Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Ronald M. Winterton

Floor Sponsor: Representative Bridger Bolinder

UASD Position: Support

This Bill amends provisions relating to nonprofit entities.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 70 Nays: 0 N/V: 5

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 338 passed out of the House.

Bill: 7th substitute HB 40 – School Safety Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Ryan D. Wilcox Floor Sponsor: Senator Ann Millner

UASD Position: Support

This Bill modifies school safety provisions.

Discussion: The sponsor presented the Joint Conference Committee report, explaining that the compromise preserves key provisions for keeping kids safe in schools. No discussion followed.

Yeas: 67 Nays: 3 N/V: 5

Outcome: The House adopted the Joint Conference Committee report on 7th substitute HB 40 and the Bill passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute SB 255 – Line-of-Duty Death Benefit Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Dennis R. Owens

Floor Sponsor: Representative Douglas R. Welton

UASD Position: Support

This Bill modifies provisions relating to benefits resulting from a line-of-duty death.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 67

Nays: 0 N/V: 8

Outcome: 2nd substitute SB 255 passed out of the House.

Bill: 4th substitute SB 197 – Property Tax Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Daniel McCay

Floor Sponsor: Representative Jason B. Kyle

UASD Position: Support

This Bill modifies provisions related to property tax.

Discussion: The floor sponsor introduced the 4th substitute of the Bill. The House adopted the substitute.

Representative Chew expressed concerns, while Representative Abbott supported the changes, emphasizing a balance between funding needs and taxpayer burden. Representatives Strong and Shepherd also spoke towards the Bill, with Shepherd inquiring about the grandfathered provision and financial support for widows. The sponsor clarified that those using the circuit breaker could remain in the program and reviewed the available deferral options. No further discussion followed.

Yeas: 42 Nays: 32 N/V: 1

Outcome: 4th substitute SB 197 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute SJR 4 – Joint Resolution Amending Court Rules on Attorney Confidentiality

Sponsor: Senator Brady Brammer

Floor Sponsor: Representative Jordan D. Teuscher

UASD Position: Support

This joint resolution amends court rules regarding attorney confidentiality.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 66 Nays: 2 N/V: 7

Outcome: 2nd substitute SJR 4 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute SB 316 – Military Installation Development Authority and Other Development Zone Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Jerry W. Stevenson

Floor Sponsor: Representative Val L. Peterson

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill deals with the Military Installation Development Authority and the distribution of certain sales tax revenues related to certain authorities and zones.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 38 Nays: 27 N/V: 10

Outcome: 3rd substitute SB 316 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 311 – Watershed Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Casey Snider Floor Sponsor: Senator Scott D. Sandall UASD Position: Tracking with concern

This Bill addresses provisions related to water resources and water management in Utah watersheds.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor explained that provisions from other water Bills were added, addressing the membership of the Legislative Water Commission and making a few technical changes for the State Engineer. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 69 Nays: 0 N/V: 6

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 3rd substitute HB 311 passed out of the House.

Bill: 4th substitute HB 313 – Construction Industry Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Thomas W. Peterson Floor Sponsor: Senator Calvin R. Musselman

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies the State Construction Code.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The substitute changed the title of the Bill and added provisions regarding regulations for water heaters. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 55 Nays: 12 N/V: 8

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 4th substitute HB 313 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 360 – Housing Attainability Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Stephen L. Whyte Floor Sponsor: Senator Lincoln Fillmore

UASD Position: Support

This Bill amends provisions related to affordable housing.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor stated these amendments provided minor clarifications. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 48 Nays: 21 N/V: 6

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 2nd substitute HB 360 passed out of the House.

Bill: 1st substitute SB 289 – Community Development Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Wayne A. Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Trevor Lee

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill addresses community reinvestment agencies.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 63 Nays: 0 N/V: 12

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 289 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute SB 295 – Property Tax Modifications

Sponsor: Senator Daniel McCay

Floor Sponsor: Representative Steve Eliason

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies the Property Tax Act.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 67 Nays: 0 N/V: 8

Outcome: 2nd substitute SB 295 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute SB 245 – PEHP Amendments

Sponsor: Senator Todd Weiler

Floor Sponsor: Representative Stephanie Gricius

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill amends provisions related to the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 65 Nays: 0 N/V: 10

Outcome: 2nd substitute SB 245 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute SB 164 – Modifications to Election Law

Sponsor: Senator Wayne A. Harper

Floor Sponsor: Representative Paul A. Cutler

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies provisions relating to elections.

Discussion: The House adopted the 3rd substitute to the Bill. The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No further discussion ensued.

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Yeas: 74 Nays: 0 N/V: 1

Outcome: 3rd substitute SB 164 passed out of the House.

Bill: 1st substitute SB 209 – Emergency Medical Services

Sponsor: Senator Dennis R. Owens

Floor Sponsor: Representative James A. Dunnigan

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill addresses emergency medical services.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 71 Nays: 0 N/V: 4

Outcome: 1st substitute SB 209 passed out of the House.

Bill: 2nd substitute HB 263 – Election Record Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Norman K. Thurston Floor Sponsor: Senator Brady Brammer

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill amends provisions related to records created or used during an election.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor stated that these amendments included everything initially requested by the clerks but noted that the clerks were still seeking additional changes to the Bill. A series of questions followed regarding the clerks' responsibilities and the costs associated with implementing the Bill's requirements. No further discussion ensued.

Yeas: 47 Nays: 23 N/V: 5

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 2nd substitute HB 263 passed out of the House.

Bill: 3rd substitute HB 368 – Local Land Use Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Stephen L. Whyte Floor Sponsor: Senator Lincoln Fillmore

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill modifies provisions related to land use.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor stated that the changes were technical in nature. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 47 Nays: 22 N/V: 6

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 3rd substitute HB 368 passed out of the House.

Bill: 1st substitute HB 550 – Building Permit Fee Prohibition Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Thomas W. Peterson Floor Sponsor: Senator David P. Hinkins

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill amends provisions related to permitting fees.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor stated that the changes included provisions related to special service districts and the Utah League of Cities and Towns. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 65 Nays: 5 N/V: 5

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 1st substitute HB 550 passed out of the House.

Bill: SB 314 – Special District Modifications

Sponsor: Senator Kirk A. Cullimore

Floor Sponsor: Representative Thomas W. Peterson

UASD Position: Support

This Bill amends provisions related to special districts.

Discussion: The floor sponsor presented the Bill. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 71 Nays: 1 N/V: 3

Outcome: SB 314 passed out of the House.

Bill: 5th substitute HB 37 – Utah Housing Amendments

Sponsor: Representative James A. Dunnigan Floor Sponsor: Senator Lincoln Fillmore

UASD Position: Tracking

This Bill deals with housing development and housing policy.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor stated that the changes included a density bonus for developers who build affordable owner-occupied housing. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 39 Nays: 30 N/V: 6 Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 5th substitute HB 37 passed out of the House.

Bill: 5th substitute HB 274 – Water Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Casey Snider Floor Sponsor: Senator Daniel McCay **UASD Position: Tracking; amended**

This Bill addresses regulations related to water.

Discussion: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. The sponsor explained that the 5th substitute establishes a 2030 implementation date for requiring secondary water suppliers to charge connections that produce food in any quantity the lowest tier water rate. No discussion ensued.

Yeas: 60 Nays: 9 N/V: 6

Outcome: The House concurred with the amendments made in the Senate. 5th substitute HB 274 passed out of the House.