

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND
ENVIRONMENT STANDING COMMITTEE
415 State Capitol, Utah State Capitol Complex
January 31, 2012**

Members Present: Sen. Ralph Okerlund, Chair
 Sen. Casey Anderson
 Sen. Allen M. Christensen
 Sen. Gene Davis
 Sen. Margaret Dayton
 Sen. David Hinkins

Staff Present: Mr. J Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
 Ms. Lorna Wells, Secretary

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Okerlund called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

S.B. 46 Agriculture Sustainability Act (S. Jenkins)

Sen. Jenkins presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Leonard Blackham, Utah Commissioner of Agriculture and Food
 Mr. Craig Petersen, CAP Consulting, The Nature Conservancy
 Ms. LuAnn Adams, Commissioner, Box Elder County
 Mr. Sterling Brown, Vice President Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau
 Mr. Kerry Gibson, Commissioner, Weber County
 Mr. S. Bruce Karren, Commisioner, Utah Association of Conservation
 Districts

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Dennis Yarrington, Davis County Assessor

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed
 unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to approve the minutes of January 24, 2012. The
 motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 134 State Water Development Commission Amendments (M. Dayton)

Sen. Dayton presented and explained this bill.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Sterling Brown, Vice President Public Policy, Utah Farm Bureau

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to amend the bill.

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Spoke for the bill: Sen. Peter Knudson
 Mr. Fred Finlinson, Chair, Utah Water Coalition

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

S.B. 132 Reauthorization of Radiation Control Act (P. Knudson)

Sen. Knudson presented and explained this bill.

Spoke to the bill: Rusty Lundberg, Director, Division of Radiation Control,
 Utah Department of Environmental Quality

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

S.B. 133 Reauthorization of Mercury Switch Removal Act (P. Knudson)

Sen. Knudson presented and explained this bill.

Spoke for the bill: Scott Anderson, Division Director, Utah Department of Environmental
 Quality
 Candace Daly, Nucor Corporation

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to place the bill on the consent calendar. The motion passed, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen Hinkins moved to place S.B. 132 on the consent calendar. The motion passed, with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Okerlund adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Minutes were reported by Lorna Wells, Secretary