

Attachment to CCS Meeting Minutes 1-29-09: Legislation Tracking 2009

Number	Sponsor	Title	Description	CCS Position	CCS Actions
SB99	Bramble	REC Revisions	Minor wording changes to last year's SB202.	Support	None
SB33	Jenkins	Utility Transmission Corridor Siting Task Force	Establishes task force of legislators with input from industry and others	Neutral	None
SJR 1	Jones	Joint Resolution - Renewable Energy System	Resolution supporting renewable energy and the development of model ordinances for local governments.	Neutral	None
SB41	Knudson	Siting of High Voltage Power Line Act	Establishes PSC oversight of high voltage siting and requirements for filings and determinations	Neutral – contains good ideas, not all details worked out	Meet with Sen. Knudson and Rep. Ferry to express our views
SB 42	McCoy	Nuclear Power Distribution and Generation	Requires CCN for nuclear plant, can't be approved unless federal waste disposal location and requires consideration of all costs incl decommissioning & waste	Neutral – CCS advocates analyzing all costs, but bill goes too far	Meet with Sen. McCoy to express our views
HJR 09	Barrus	Resolution on Energy Efficiency	Resolution contains extreme measures such as profit for utilities and urges and appears to require certain PSC actions	Serious concerns	Work with interested parties to propose substitute bill – or form consumer coalition to respond
HB215	Dunnigan	Public Service Commission Powers - Area Code Assignment	Essentially repeals PSC decision on 801/385 overlay and requires splits for all future area code assignment in Utah	Oppose	Explain position to Rep. Dunnigan and at committees. Other groups are going to be more concerned.
HB216	Hunsaker	Telecommunication Pricing Flexibility Amendments	Removes exception for basic residential service and allows Qwest pricing flexibility for all services	Concerns	Explain concerns to legislative committee

HB 117	Wiley	Mechanical Contractor Licensing Provisions	Requires HVAC contractors to be licensed and receive certain training. Has fiscal note which is holding it back.	Support	None
	Bramble	Energy Amendments	Clarifies that certain interconnection facilities are part of renewable projects and not subject to PSC regulation (advanced by First Wind)	Neutral	None
	Valentine	Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Revisions	Allows USF for expansion of broadband into unserved areas and for route diversity, imposes cap on USF surcharge	Neutral - concerns appear to be balanced by benefits	None (also advocate proper consumer protections when issues come before PSC)
	Urquhart	[no request yet available]	RMP negotiated bill	No opposition	watch to ensure that provisions remain intact
	Valentine	Committee on Consumer Protection [sic]	Summary indicates that it codifies recommendations of legislative audit	Support some aspects, likely oppose others	Watch to see specific language and take appropriate actions.
	Barrus – sponsor will be changed	Natural Gas Vehicle Fuel Rates	Exact content unknown but likely to legislatively mandate rate subsidies for NGV	Oppose	Explain rate and public policy concepts supporting our view at legislative committees
	Watkins	Renewable Energy Provisions	??		watch
	??		resolution to withdraw Utah from Western Climate Initiative	Neutral	watch
	??		limitations on PSC power		watch for rumored bill – now rumored to be unlikely
	??		solar tax credit & distribution (SL County)		watch to ensure no unintended consequences