

**UTAH STATE TAX COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

9:00 a.m., Thursday, February 8, 2018

Commission Hearing Room 1025, 210 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, Utah

Participating:

John L. Valentine – Commission Chair
Michael J. Cragun – Commissioner
Robert P. Pero – Commissioner – *Excused*
Rebecca L. Rockwell – Commissioner
Barry Conover – Executive Director

Commission Office:

Christa Johnson, Commission Executive Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found on the Tax Commission website: <http://tax.utah.gov/commission-office/meetings>.

I. Call to Order

Commission Chair Valentine called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and noted that Commissioner Pero is excused.

II. Public Comment (individuals or groups wishing to address the Commissioners for up to three minutes on matters not related to a pending or reasonably imminent appeal to the Tax Commission)

Commission Chair Valentine asked if anyone wished to address the Tax Commissioners. There were no comments.

III. Consider Approving Commission meeting minutes of Thursday, January 25, 2018

MOTION: Commissioner Cragun moved to approve the Commission meeting minutes of, Thursday, January 25, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Consider Tax Commission position on pending legislation

1. [S.B.143](#) -- Employment Background Checks.

S.B.143. – This bill provides the following entities with the authority to conduct local, regional, and national background checks for employees, contractors, appointees, and volunteers. The entities are: Department of Environmental Quality; Department of Financial Institutions; Department of Health; Department of Human Resource Management; Department of Workforce Services; Division of Purchasing; governor's office; State Tax Commission; and Utah Science Technology and Research Governing Authority. This bill requires the Bureau of Criminal Identification to provide agencies with the results of the background checks. This legislation is necessary for the State Tax Commission to be in compliance with federal requirements for agency employees and contractors that have access to federal return information, regardless of whether that access is authorized.

MOTION: Commissioner Rockwell moved that the commission support S.B.143 -- Employment Background Checks. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Commissioners' Reports

Commission Chair Valentine recognized the State Tax Commission for their work in the 2018 General Legislative Session.

VI. Adjourn

Commission Chair Valentine adjourned the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

Approved on: Monday, February 26, 2018

Attested: Christa Johnson

Executive Assistant, Utah State Tax Commission