

# ARIZONA STATE SENATE

## 52ND LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

### MINUTES OF COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**DATE:** January 25, 2016

**TIME:** 1:45 P.M.

**ROOM:** SHR1

**CHAIRMAN:** Senator Kimberly Yee

**VICE-CHAIRMAN:** Senator Steve Yarbrough

**ANALYST:** Grant Hanna

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#### ATTENDANCE

#### BILLS

<u>Committee Members</u>	<u>Pr</u>	<u>Ab</u>	<u>Ex</u>	<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Senator Begay	X			SB 1059	DP
Senator Cajero Bedford	X			SB 1060	DP
Senator Dial	X			SB 1118	DP
Senator Farnsworth D	X			SB 1120	DP
Senator Meza	X				
Senator Miranda	X				
Senator Worsley	X				
Senator Yarbrough, Vice-Chairman	X				
Senator Yee, Chairman	X				

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#### EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
Deborah S. Johnson	Director, Office of Tourism	CONFIRMATION
Deborah S. Johnson	Member, Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority	CONFIRMATION

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#### PRESENTATION

Erik Olsson, CEO, Mobile Mini

Chairman Yee called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. and attendance was taken.

Senator Yee welcomed Senators Yarbrough and Begay as new members of the Committee and requested the members to introduce themselves.

## **INTRODUCTION OF STAFF**

Senator Yee introduced David Fernandez, former Commerce and Workforce Development Research Analyst, and thanked him for his service as he embarks on his new endeavor.

Senator Yee requested Grant Hanna, Commerce and Workforce Development Research Analyst, to introduce himself and staff as follows:

- Laura Benitez, Research Intern
- Melissa Taylor, Majority Staff Director of Operations and Senior Policy Advisor
- Tyler Godbehere, Majority Staff Intern
- John Fetherston, Democratic Policy Advisor
- Joshua Pettigrew, Democratic Staff Intern
- Imee Andrew, Committee Secretary
- John Karlik, Page
- Eryn Streeter, Page
- Debra Gomez, Administrative Assistant to Senator Yee

## **EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

**Laura Benitez, Commerce and Workforce Development Committee Research Intern**, gave a brief overview of the Office of Tourism and the Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority and its nominee.

### **Deborah S. Johnson – Director, Office of Tourism – CONFIRMATION RECOMMENDED**

**Deborah S. Johnson**, distributed handouts entitled “2015 Edition: Travel and Tourism Work for Arizona” (Attachment A), “Arizona the Grand Canyon State Official State Visitor’s Map” (Attachment B) and the “Arizona the Grand Canyon State Official State Visitor’s Guide” (Attachment C). Ms. Johnson reviewed her resume, spoke about the Office of Tourism and the Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority and answered questions posed by the Committee

**Senator Yarbrough moved that the Senate Commerce and Workforce Development Committee recommend to the full Senate the CONFIRMATION of Deborah S. Johnson as Director of the Arizona Office of Tourism. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Attachment 1).**

Senator Cajero Bedford explained her vote.

### **Deborah S. Johnson – Member, Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority – CONFIRMATION RECOMMENDED**

Senator Yarbrough moved that the Senate Commerce and Workforce Development Committee recommend to the full Senate the CONFIRMATION of Deborah S. Johnson to be a Member of the Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Attachment 2).

## PRESENTATION

### Mobile Mini

Erik Olsson, President, Chief Executive Officer, Mobile Mini, provided a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Mobile Mini" (Attachment D) and gave background information of the Mobile Mini. Mr. Olsson answered questions posed by the Committee.

## CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

### SB 1059 – oil and gas commission; continuation – DO PASS

Laura Benitez, Commerce and Workforce Development Committee Research Intern, explained SB 1059 and answered questions posed by the Committee.

Senator Yarbrough moved SB 1059 be returned with a DO PASS recommendation. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Attachment 3).

### SB 1060 – Arizona power authority; continuation – DO PASS

Laura Benitez, Commerce and Workforce Development Committee Research Intern, explained SB 1060 and answered questions posed by the Committee.

Joe Albo, Chairman, Arizona Power Authority Commission, gave background information and testified in support of SB 1060. Mr. Albo answered questions posed by the Committee.

Robert Lynch, Attorney, Irrigation and Electrical Districts' Association of Arizona, testified in support of SB 1060 and answered questions posed by the Committee.

John Kai, representing himself, distributed a handout entitled "Points of Discussion" (Attachment E). Mr. Kai testified in support of SB 1060.

Fred Barnett, representing himself, testified in support of SB 1060.

Senator Yarbrough moved SB 1060 be returned with a DO PASS recommendation. The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Attachment 4).

### SB 1118 – office of tourism; continuation – DO PASS

Grant Hanna, Commerce and Workforce Development Committee Research Analyst, explained SB 1118.

**Senator Yarbrough moved SB 1118 be returned with a DO PASS recommendation.  
The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Attachment 5).**

**SB 1120 – boxing commission; continuation – DO PASS**

**Grant Hanna, Commerce and Workforce Development Committee Research Analyst, explained SB 1120.**

**Senator Yarbrough moved SB 1120 be returned with a DO PASS recommendation.  
The motion CARRIED with a roll call vote of 9-0-0 (Attachment 6).**

Attached is a list noting the individuals who registered their position on the bills (Attachment F).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Imee Andrew  
Committee Secretary

(Audio recordings and attachments are on file in the Secretary of the Senate's Office/Resource Center, Room 115. Audio archives are available at <http://www.azleg.gov>)