2019 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
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I'VE TRAINED JEDI
I'VE TRAINED BATMAN
AND PEOPLE STILL TRY TO MESS WITH ME?
Track Record

• Almost everything that went through water task force passed.
• Almost everything that didn’t failed.
• Example: committee amendments.

Why?

• Leadership of Director Mike Styler.
• Broad enough to reflect water community writ large.
• Open forum allows stakeholders to cross check each other’s facts.
  (Process feels fair.)
• Sufficient expertise.
• Proven successs.
TOO MANY COOKS?
HB 12 – INSTREAM FLOW AMENDMENTS (HAWKES)

- Removed a sunset on a pilot program.
- Water can be leased to a private fishing group to improve habitat for native trout.
HB 31 – SURPLUS WATER AMENDMENTS (COLEMAN)
• Many cities in the Salt Lake Valley buy water from other cities.
• Contracts terminable on 30-day’s notice.
• Solution: if you supply water, can’t discriminate against non-residents.
SB-17 – EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION (OKERLUND)

- Protect water source for 15 miles, 300 feet on each side.
- Cities of the first class have jurisdiction over the entire watershed, as long as it’s in the same county. Otherwise, only by agreement.
HJR-1 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
MUNICIPAL WATER (STRATTON)

- Allows a city to designate a water service area greater than its actual boundaries.
- Can exchange (but not alienate) water rights.
SB 52 – SECONDARY METERING (ANDEREGG)

- No new unmetered secondary after July 2020.
- Required report on # of secondary hook-ups.
- Cost estimate and plan of how to pay for it.
- Recommended to Utah Water Task Force for further study.
HCR 10 – CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO ADDRESS DECLINING WATER LEVELS OF THE GREAT SALT LAKE (HAWKES)
HCR 18 – CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONCERNING BEAR LAKE (WILDE)
SJR 1 – WATER BANKING (IWAMOTO)

Well, this sucks

IF MONEY DOESN'T GROW ON TREES

WHY DO BANKS HAVE BRANCHES?
INEPTITUDE
If you can't learn to do something well, learn to enjoy doing it poorly.
HB 46 – WATER AMENDMENTS FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER ED (HANDY)
HB 360 – SCHOOL WATER TESTING REQUIREMENTS (HANDY)
NOT QUITE READY FOR PRIME TIME

HB 143 – Water Conservation Plan Amendments (Harrison)

HB 377 – Capitol Hill Water Usage (Briscoe)
PRESENTATION FINISHED
ANY QUESTIONS?