

Board Appointment – Utah Air Travel Commission – Senator Karen Hale

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Anderson is recommending Senator Karen Hale, resident of District 7; to be appointed to the Utah Air Travel Commission Senator Hale will replace Meg Holbrook, whose term has expired. If appointed Senator Hale will serve a term through September 1, 2008.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Senator Hale was elected in 1998 and re-elected for a second term in 2002. Senator Hale's service has been a passionate voice on Capitol Hill for public and higher education and the safety and health of Utah families. As a representative of Senate District 7 she takes an interest in the activities of the Utah Air Travel Commission regarding air routes, economic development and quality of life.

RESPONSE DEADLINE:

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Vicki know by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2006.

CURRENT COMPOSITION OF BOARD:

There are eighteen commission members, each serving a three-year term, who are selected on the basis of demonstrated knowledge, experience and judgment with respect to air route and air transportation matters. Six members are appointed by the Governor, six members are appointed by the Salt Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and six are appointed by Salt Lake City. There is no City residency requirement for members who are appointed by the City. Representatives for Salt Lake City are ~~Afton Bradshaw, District 6~~; Janice Carpenter, District 3; Andrew Gallegos, District 6; ~~Meghan Holbrook, District 3~~; Mark Miller, District 7; Cecilia Romero, District 5; and Joseph B. Wirthlin, County.

BOARD STRUCTURE:

The Utah Air Travel Commission has been in existence since 1969. It is a non-statutory board devoted to the advancement of local, regional, transcontinental and intercontinental commercial air route services available to Utah. The Commission has the authority to investigate, collect data and analyze all matters which relate to commercial air service in Utah; file pleadings and make appearances before the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration and Interstate Commerce Commission regarding the commercial air service needs of Utah; and initiate and pursue or defend all court proceedings with respect to commercial air service which affect the interests of Utah.