
**2012 MASTER STUDY RESOLUTION ITEMS ASSIGNED TO
EDUCATION INTERIM COMMITTEE
BY LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - CATEGORIZED BY TOPIC**

CHARTER SCHOOLS:

26. Charter School Mission and Online Education - to study whether a charter school student should be denied permission to take an online course through the Statewide Online Education Program because the charter school's mission is inconsistent with the online course (Daw).

CURRICULUM/ INSTRUCTION/GRADUATION:

23. Academic Achievement Gaps - to study high quality preschool impacts on academic achievement gaps for at risk students (Osmond).
24. Alternatives to GED - to study whether to issue high school diplomas to adults and those who do not graduate with the class instead of awarding a GED, to study the relative value between a high school diploma and a GED in the employment marketplace, and to study how to eliminate the GED in Utah and give diplomas instead, to give these students a higher value (Stephenson).
32. K-3 Class Size Reduction - to study caps on K-3 class sizes and class size reduction line item accountability (S.B. 31)(Morgan).
31. Financial Literacy - to study ways to promote financial literacy (Ray).
41. Sex Education Through Online Video Components - to study in collaboration with the State Board of Education the delivery of online sex education through video components in lieu of in-class instruction, with each component to be approved by the parents before the student has access to the materials (Stephenson).

EDUCATION INTERIM COMMITTEE:

29. Education Interim Committee Reports - to study whether one or more reports required to be submitted to the Education Interim Committee should be discontinued (Wright).

EDUCATOR QUALITY/COMPENSATION:

28. Credit for Teacher Professional Development in Technology - to study options for giving credit on the pay scale for teacher professional development in technology unrelated to college credit (Stephenson).
34. Pay for Performance Impact on Student Achievement - to study the impact of teacher pay for performance on student achievement and performance gains (Stephenson).
35. Professional Development Classes - to study the impact of enabling professional development classes or tracks under "lanes compensation" schedules (Osmond).
38. Quality Teacher Incentive - to study an incentive program to retain quality teachers in the public schools (Osmond).

SCHOOL CALENDAR:

30. Enhanced School Calendar Incentives - to study how to encourage school districts and charter schools to utilize their buildings year round to extend calendars, and how to offer teachers a 50% pay raise with no additional costs to taxpayers, with added benefits like paid vacations, holidays, and classroom aids (Stephenson).

SCHOOL FUNDING/FINANCE:

25. Charter School Local Replacement Funding - to study whether school districts should contribute an amount equal to per pupil district property tax revenues for each resident student enrolled in a charter school (Stephenson).
33. Necessarily Existent Small Schools - to study the current distribution formula, review cost differentials between small and isolated schools and other schools, and determine the best funding mechanism (Public Education Appropriations).
36. Public Education Funding - to study and carefully review the formulas currently in use and determine if they are meeting the needs of the current education environment (Newbold).
37. Public School Funding Criteria - to study how money is distributed to public schools based on prior year enrollment, and whether public schools could receive funding based on current year enrollment instead (Weiler).
39. School District and Charter School Postemployment Benefits - to study how school districts and charter schools are addressing any continuing liability to provide postemployment benefits to employees (Duplicate of Item #137, p. 13, H.B. 460)(Eliason).
40. School Funding - to study long term funding options for public education (Jones).
43. Student-based Budgeting - to study whether to require a school district to distribute certain revenues to schools in accordance with a weighted student formula and to require a principal to determine how to use revenues available to the school to meet student needs (H.B. 158)(House Revenue and Tax Standing).
164. Comprehensive overview of the WPU in public education (Gibson).
171. School Funding - study of the statewide equalization of school funding (McKay).

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES:

42. Specialized Student Counseling - to study ways to provide specialized career college counseling, focusing on admissions and scholarships, for high school students (H.B. 65) (Arent).

HIGHER EDUCATION:

27. Concurrent Enrollment - to study the current program structure, cost, delivery, and coordination of public education and higher education (Public Education Appropriations).
44. Tuition Gap Program for Veterans - to study a tuition gap program for veteran recipients of the federal Post 9/11 GI bill who run out of funds before completing a bachelor's program (S.B. 44)(Robles).
84. Campus Safety - to study trespassing on property owned by a state institution of higher education (H.B. 504)(Ipson).