



# MINUTES

## SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 | 4:00 p.m. | 210 Senate Building

**Members Present:**

Sen. John D. Johnson, Chair  
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore  
Sen. Keith Grover  
Sen. David P. Hinkins  
Sen. Michael K. McKell  
Sen. Ann Millner  
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe

**Members Absent:**

President J. Stuart Adams  
Sen. Jerry W Stevenson

**Staff Present:**

Finn Andrew Rose, Policy Analyst  
Emma Johnsen, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair John D. Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:13 PM.

**MOTION:** Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. J. Stevenson

### 1. S.B. 206 Young Adult Service Fellowship (*Millner, A.*)

**MOTION:** Sen. Ann Millner moved to replace S.B. 206 with 1st Substitute S.B. 206. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Sen. Millner presented the bill.

Janell Torres, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Riebe moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 206 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4

Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. J. Stevenson

### 2. S.B. 220 School Readiness Amendments (*Millner, A.*)

MOTION: Sen. Millner moved to amend S.B. 220 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Amendment 1  
S.B. 220

- 1. Page 14, Lines 426 through 427:  
426 established by the school readiness team, the grant recipient shall:  
427 (i) ~~{in year one}~~ after the first year of not meeting the established benchmark :
- 2. Page , Line 431 through Page 15, Line 432:  
431 readiness team; and  
432 (ii) ~~{in year two}~~ after the second year of not meeting the established benchmark :
- 3. Page 15, Lines 436 through 445:  
436 readiness team~~{; and}~~ .  
437 ~~{(d) If a student growth or observation score is below the benchmark for success~~  
438 ~~established by the school readiness team after year two, the school readiness team shall assign a~~  
439 ~~coach to:~~  
440 ~~— (i) meet each month with the grant recipient; and~~  
441 ~~— (ii) provide the grant recipient with feedback and observations for focused~~  
442 ~~improvement.~~  
443 ~~— (e) If a student growth or observation score does not reach or exceed the benchmark for~~  
444 ~~success established by the school readiness team after three consecutive years, the grant~~  
445 ~~recipient shall no longer be eligible for grant funding. }~~  
(d) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the department, in consultation with the school readiness team, may adopt rules to establish eligibility criteria and grant funding priority for a grant recipient who, after three consecutive years, fails to meet the benchmark for success described in Subsection (5)(c).
- 4. Page 25, Lines 757 through 760:  
757 Section 14. Effective date.  
758 ~~{— (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), this bill takes effect on May 1, 2024.~~  
759 ~~— (2) The actions affecting Section 63I-2-253 (Effective 07/01/24) take effect on July 1,~~  
760 ~~2024. }~~ This bill takes effect on July 1, 2024.

Yeas - 4  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5  
Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Sen. Millner presented the bill.

Elizabeth Garbe, Vice President of Public Policy, United Way of Salt Lake, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rebecca Banner, Deputy Director, Department of Workforce Services, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. David P. Hinkins moved to pass S.B. 220 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5  
Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**3. S.B. 225 School District Boundary Amendments (*Bramble, C.*)**

Sen. Curtis S. Bramble presented the bill.

Teri McCabe, Board Member, Provo City Schoolboard, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass S.B. 225 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5  
Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**4. 1st Sub. H.B. 331 School and Classroom Amendments (*Welton, D.*)**

Rep. Welton presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 331 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 5  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 4  
Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to place 1st Substitute H.B. 331 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5  
Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**5. S.B. 216 Public School Schedule Amendments (*McCay, D.*)**

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to replace S.B. 216 with 1st Substitute S.B. 216. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 1 - 5.

Yeas - 3

Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson

Nays - 1

Sen. K. Riebe

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Sen. Daniel McCay presented the bill.

Monica Birth, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Lexi Cunningham, Executive Director, Utah School Superintendents Association and Utah School Boards Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Luke Barlow, Student Body President, Brighton High School, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Aaron Hadfield, Teacher, Bright High School, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Tom Sherwood, Director of High Schools, Canyon School District, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Kimball Shill, Senior Class Vice President, Brighton High School, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Lisa Devashrayee, citizen, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Teri Rhodes, President, Cache County School Board, spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 216 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 1 - 4.

Yeas - 4

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson

Nays - 1

Sen. K. Riebe

Absent - 4

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**6. H.J.R. 18 Joint Resolution for Education That Encourages Free Enterprise and Entrepreneurship (Lund, S.)**

Rep. Steven J. Lund presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass H.J.R. 18 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to place H.J.R. 18 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**MOTION:**

Sen. Hinkins moved to place S.B. 225 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

**MOTION:**

Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 4

Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Hinkins  
Sen. J. Johnson  
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 5:33 PM.