

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION  
STANDING COMMITTEE**

February 20, 1998 - 8:00 A.M.  
Room 303, State Capitol Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Lloyd Frandsen, Chairman  
Rep. Ron Bigelow, Vice Chairman  
Rep. Sheryl L. Allen  
Rep. Duane Bourdeaux  
Rep. Judy Buffmire  
Rep. David L. Hogue  
Rep. Keele Johnson  
Rep. Susan Koehn  
Rep. Patricia Larson  
Rep. Tammy J. Rowan  
Rep. Richard Siddoway  
Rep. Bill Wright

STAFF PRESENT: J. Wayne Lewis, Research Analyst  
Jean Holyoak, Committee Secretary

VISITORS LIST: Attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Rep. Ron Bigelow called the meeting to order at 8:12 a.m.

H.B. 320 - TRUANCY AMENDMENTS - Rep. Duane Bourdeaux

Rep. Bourdeaux called upon Douglas Bates, Attorney, USOE, to explain some of the concerns mentioned in the meeting of February 18<sup>th</sup>. Assisting Rep. Bourdeaux were Rep. Loretta Baca and Bill Evans, Attorney General's Office.

MOTION: Rep. Rowan made a motion to amend the bill as follows:

Page 6, Lines 6-7: Delete

The motion passed unanimously. Absent for the vote were Reps. Allen and Hogue.

MOTION: Rep. Rowan made a motion to amend the bill as follows:

Page 7, Lines 21-26: Delete

The motion passed unanimously. Absent for the vote were Reps. Allen and Hogue.

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Speaking in favor of the bill were Mike Atkins, SLC School District and Pat Rusk, teacher, Bluffdale Elementary. Speaking against the bill were Dr. Tom Corkish, Supt., Anchor Christian Academy and Gayle Ruzika, Eagle Forum.

MOTION: Rep. Rowan made a motion to amend the bill as follows:

Page 7, Line 21: "This shall apply only to public schools."

After Committee discussion, Rep. Rowan withdrew her motion.

MOTION: Rep. Koehn made a motion to amend the bill as follows:

Page 6, Line 5: After "excuse" delete "." and insert ", which includes home schools, private schools and dual enrollment."

The motion passed unanimously. Absent for the vote was Rep. Hogue.

MOTION: Rep. Buffmire made a motion to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed. Voting against the motion were Reps. Rowan, Wright, Bigelow and Hogue. Absent for the vote was Rep. Larson.

H.B. 393 - NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION COSTS -  
Rep. John Hickman

Rep. Hickman presented his bill to the Committee and answered questions regarding the new legislation. Assisting him was Bill Sampson, Business Manager, Washington School District. He said the fixed costs of maintenance and operation have no correlation to per student formulas allocations. The smaller the district, the greater the impact. Speaking against the bill were Laurie Chivers, Deputy Supt., Public Education, and Judy Larsen, USBA.

MOTION: Rep. Koehn made a motion to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed. Voting against the motion were Reps. Frandsen, Allen, Hogue and Siddoway. Absent for the vote were Reps. Larson, Bourdeaux and Wright.

S.B. 38 - EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OF ADOPTION ASSISTANCE - Sen. Craig Taylor

Sen. Taylor explained this bill which would require local school boards to make an annual presentation to secondary school students in grades 7 - 12 on adoption procedures. Parents have the right to prohibit their children from participating in the program. Speaking against the bill were Steve Peterson, USSA/USBA; Susan Kuziak, UEA; and Laurie Chivers, USOE. Speaking in favor of the bill was John Johnson, citizen.

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MOTION: Rep. Frandsen made a motion to amend the bill as follows:

Page 1, Line 21b: After "12" insert "subject to parental or guardian approval"

After Committee discussion, he withdrew his motion.

MOTION: Rep. Rowan made a motion to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed. Voting against the bill were Reps. Buffmire, Hogue, and Siddoway. Absent for the vote were Reps. Bourdeaux, Koehn, Larson and Wright.

Upon motion by Rep. Rowan, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

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Rep. Ron Bigelow, Vice Chair

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Rep. Lloyd Frandsen, Chair