

MINUTES OF THE
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1998, 9:00 A.M.
Room 416, State Capitol Building

Members Present: Sen. Lorin Jones, Chair
Sen. Leonard Blackham
Sen. David Steele
Sen. Howard Stephenson

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Sen. Scott Howell
Sen. Joseph Hull
Sen. Craig Peterson

Staff Present: Wayne Lewis, Legislative Analyst
Sheila Ainsworth, Secretary

Others Present: Larry Horyna, State Adult Education Director, USOE
Judy Larson, Legislative Chair, USBA/USSA
Susan Kuziak, President, UEA
Janeil Lyon, Education Commissioner, Utah PTA
Margaret Bird, Trust Fund Specialist, USOE
Dave Terry, USOE
Paula Plant, Utah PTA
Ruland Gill, Chairman, SITLA Board

List of others present on file

Committee Chair Lorin Jones called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

A quorum was not present, but Committee Chair Jones requested presentations begin while awaiting members of the Committee.

1. **H.B. 47 Appropriation for English as Second Language Adult Education Classes, by Rep T. Rowan**

Rep. Rowan presented her bill which appropriates \$500,000.00 to the adult ESL programs. Since some districts are currently meeting the needs for adult ESL classes, money would be disbursed through an RFP process through the State Office of Education so that those districts with the greatest need can receive funds. Rep. Rowan answered the questions of the Committee. Larry Horyna, USOE, Judy Larson, USBA/USSA, Susan Kuziak, UEA, and Janeil Lyon, Utah PTA, spoke in favor of the bill.

2. **MOTION:** Sen. Steele moved to take a straw poll, and prior to adjourning, solicit one more members of the Committee from a leadership meeting and then vote on both bills.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting.

3. A straw poll was taken and all present voted in favor of H.B. 47.

4. **H.B. 247 Revenues for the State School Fund, by Rep. Iverson**

Rep. Iverson and Margaret Bird, Trust Fund Specialist, State Office of Education, presented this bill. It provides for the transfer to excess money in the Unclaimed Property Expandable Trust Fund at the end of the fiscal year to the State School Fund. Ms. Bird answered the questions of the Committee. Dave Terry, USOE, commented in favor.

Judy Larson, USBA/USSA, Paula Plant, Utah PTA, Susan Kuziac, UEA, and Ruland Gill, SITLA Board spoke in favor of the bill.

Sen. Steele solicited Sen. Blackham; with a quorum now present, the Committee voted.

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to pass H.B. 247 to the Senate floor with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting. (4-0-3)

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to have H. B. 247 placed on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting. (4-0-3)

MOTION: Sen. Steele moved to pass H.B. 47 to the Senate floor with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting. (4-0-3)

Approval of Minutes. Sen. Blackham moved approve the minutes of January 29 and February 3, 1998.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting. (4-0-3)

MOTION: Sen. Blackham moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously with all present voting. (4-0-3)

Committee Chair Lorin Jones adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Minutes were reported by Sheila Ainsworth, Secretary.