

MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1998, 8:00 A.M.  
Room 416, State Capitol Building

Members Present: Sen. Lorin Jones, Chair  
Sen. Joseph Hull  
Sen. Craig Peterson  
Sen. David Steele  
Sen. Howard Stephenson

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Sen. Scott Howell  
Sen. Leonard Blackham

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

Others Present: Bonnie Stephens, USOE,  
Jean Irwin, Arts Education Coordinator, USOE,  
Lee Robinson, Superintendent, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind  
Lee Stephens, Budget Manager, USDB,  
Susan Kuziak, UEA,  
Linda Smith, Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities  
Con Rowley, Planning & Budget Analyst, Governor's Office  
Judy Larson, USBA  
Linda Plouzek, Safety Commissioner, Utah PTA  
Pat O'Hara, USOE,

List of others present on file

Committee Chair Lorin Jones called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

1. **S.B. 199 Arts, Technology and Education Appropriation, by Sen. Peterson**

Sen. Peterson presented his bill to the committee. It appropriates \$25,000 to the State Board of Education and \$75,000 to the Utah Arts Council for the development of a film and video curriculum for arts, technology and education. He showed a video which was produced, written, etc. by a 14-year-old boy. Bonnie Stephens, USOE, and Jean Irwin, Arts Education Coordinator, USOE, spoke in favor of the bill. They answered questions of the Committee.

Sen. Stephenson questioned wording on page 1, line 14. After discussion, an amendment was agreed upon.

**MOTION:** Sen. Peterson moved to amend his bill on page 1, line 14, after "video" delete "on" and insert "curriculum for".

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

**MOTION:** Sen. Stephenson moved to pass S.B. 199 as amended out of this committee with a favorable recommendation.

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

2. **Approval of Minutes**—Sen. Peterson moved approve the minutes of February 11th. The motion passed unanimously with all present voting. (4-0-3)

3. **HB 82 Annual Salary Adjustment for Deaf and Blind Schools Employees, by Rep. Gladwell**

Rep. Gladwell presented his bill to the committee, which provides that the Board of Trustees at the Schools for the Deaf and the Blind make annual salary adjustments, with the funds being built into the base budget, for employees at the schools. He distributed a hand-out and answered the questions from the Committee. Superintendent Lee Robinson, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind and Lee Stephens, Budget Manager, USDB, spoke in favor of the bill and answered questions.

From the audience, Susan Kuziak, UEA, and Linda Smith, Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities, spoke in favor of the bill. Con Rowley, Governor's Office, expressed his support of the process, but was concerned that there would be a delayed fiscal impact, leaving a gap in the year 2000. He recommended amending the bill to have it take effect in 1998 instead of 1999.

**MOTION:** Sen. Steele moved to amend HB 82 on line 4, page 2 by deleting "1999" and inserting "1998".

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

**MOTION:** Sen. Stephenson moved to pass HB 82 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

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

4. **H. B. 30 Public School Hazardous Bus Routes Appropriation, by Rep. Harper**

Rep. Harper presented his bill which provides a \$350,000 appropriation to the State Board of Education for distribution to school districts to fund hazardous bus routes because of unforeseen and/or unplanned hazardous walking conditions. The board would establish rules to allocate the appropriation. He answered questions of the Committee.

From the audience, Judy Larson, USBA, Linda Plouzek, Safety Commissioner, Utah PTA, and Pat O'Hara, USOE, spoke in support of the bill. Con Rowley, Governor's Office, said that in the Appropriations Subcommittee, the Governor has recommended \$1,000,000 be appropriated for special transportation related to construction along I-15; he does not want there to be duplication of funding. Rep. Harper said there will be amendments to this bill in order to resolve any potential conflicts.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hull moved to pass HB 30 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

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

5. **H. B. 21S1 Selective Service Filing Prerequisite to Receiving Postsecondary Financial Aid, by Rep. Holladay**

Rep. Holladay presented his bill, which requires male students to certify their selective service status as a prerequisite to receiving financial aid to attend a post-secondary institution. This requirement makes Utah state financial aid guidelines match federal guidelines already in place. Rep. Holladay answered the questions of the Committee.



**MOTION:** Sen. Hull moved to pass HB 21S1 out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

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

**MOTION:** Sen. Hull moved to place HB 21S1 on the consent calendar.

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

**MOTION:** Sen. Hull moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with all present voting. (4-0-3)

Committee Chair Lorin Jones adjourned the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Minutes were reported by Sheila Ainsworth, Secretary.

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Sen. Lorin Jones, Chair