

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSE**  
**WORKFORCE SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**  
**Room 225 - State Capitol Building**  
**February 8, 2001**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Richard M. Siddoway, Chair  
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold, Vice Chair  
Rep. Cindy Beshear  
Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow  
Rep. David Litvack  
Rep. J. Morgan Philpot  
Rep. Carl R. Saunders  
Rep. Peggy Wallace

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rep. Jeff Alexander  
Rep. Martin R. Stephens  
Rep. Bradley A. Winn

**STAFF PRESENT:** Art Hunsaker, Research Analyst  
Louise Russell, Committee Secretary

**VISITORS:** List of visitors on file

Vice Chair Merlynn T. Newbold called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Saunders moved to approve the minutes of January 23, 2001. The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Beshear, Goodfellow, and Philpot absent for the vote.

Report: A Performance Audit of the Office of Child Care, February 2001 - -

Maria Stahla and Richard Coleman, Office of the Legislative Auditor General, presented the audit and answered questions from Reps. Saunders, Wallace, Philpot, Goodfellow, and Beshear.

Robert Gross, Director, and Virginia Smith, Deputy Director, Department of Workforce Services, responded to the audit and answered questions from Reps. Litvack, Siddoway, Goodfellow, and Philpot.

**MOTION:** Rep. Saunders moved to proceed to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Philpot absent for the vote.

**H.B. 51 Workforce Services Amendments (R. Siddoway)**

**MOTION:** Rep. Goodfellow moved to adopt 1st Sub. H.B. 51. The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Litvack and Philpot absent for the vote.

Rep. Siddoway introduced the bill with the assistance of Sarah Brenna, Department of Workforce Services. Virginia Smith, Department of Workforce Services, answered clarifying questions from Reps. Goodfellow, Litvack and Wallace.

Dr. Flora Weggeland, Child Care Advisory Committee, commented on the Child Care Expendable Trust Fund.

Karen Silver, Salt Lake Community Action Program, spoke against the bill.

Roz McGee, Utah Children, spoke against the bill and urged a motion to reinstate lines 88-89.

Hallie Robbins, D.O., National Council of Jewish Women, spoke to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Goodfellow moved to amend 1st Sub. H.B. 51 as follows:

1. Page 4, Lines 88-89: Reinstatement "(6)" and after "~~recommend to the Legislature legislation~~" insert "research child care programs and public policy that will improve quality and" and reinstate the remainder of line 88 and line 89
2. Page 4, Line 90: Delete "(6)" and reinstate "(7)"
3. Page 4, Line 93: Delete "(7)" and insert "(8)"

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Philpot absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Goodfellow moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Philpot absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Litvack moved to hear public testimony on the audit report.

#### **SUBSTITUTE**

**MOTION:** Rep. Saunders moved to adjourn. The Chair ruled the motion passed with Rep. Philpot absent for the vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.