

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE
ROOM 405, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING
February 6, 2003**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. James A. Ferrin, Chair
 Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, Vice Chair
 Rep. Doug Aagard
 Rep. Ron Bigelow
 Rep. DeMar "Bud" Bowman
 Rep. Don E. Bush
 Rep. Neil A. Hansen
 Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson
 Rep. Roz McGee
 Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold
 Rep. Loraine T. Pace

STAFF PRESENT: John Cannon, Policy Analyst
 John Fellows, Associate General Counsel
 Sylvia Newton, Committee Secretary

VISITORS: List filed with committee minutes.

Rep. Ferrin called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Bush moved to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2003 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow, Rep. Bowman, Rep. McGee, Rep. Newbold, and Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote.

H.B. 223 Changing State Song (*D. Love*)

Rep. Love introduced H.B. 223 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Trudy Henderson, teacher, Cook Elementary School, Syracuse

A group of 4th grade children from Cook Elementary School sang "Utah, This is the Place," the proposed new state song.

MOTION: Rep. Hansen moved to pass H.B. 223 out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Bigelow voting in opposition to the motion and Rep. Hendrickson absent for the vote.

Rep. Ferrin relinquished the chair to Rep. Hutchings.

H.B. 110 Charter School Capital Facilities Loans (*J. Ferrin*)

Rep. Ferrin introduced H.B. 110 and explained it to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Ferrin moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 1, Line 12: After "**loans**" insert "**and interest buy-down grants**"
2. Page 2, Line 58: After "loans" insert "and interest buy-down grants"
3. Page 3, Line 62: After "loan" insert "and the amount of each interest buy-down grant"
4. Page 3, Line 67: After "loans" insert " and interest buy-down grants"
5. Page 4, Line 91: After "loans" insert "and interest buy-down grants"
6. Page 5, Line 150: After "loans" insert "and interest buy-down grants"

The motion to amend the bill passed unanimously with Rep. Hendrickson absent for the vote.

Spoke in favor of the bill: Gary Doxey, Governor's Office
Ellen Wallace, Utah School Boards Association
Nathan Rathbun, Utah Charter Schools Association

MOTION: Rep. Bush moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. McGee voting in opposition to the motion and Rep. Hendrickson absent for the vote.

H.B. 99 Certification of Candidates for Political Offices (*N. Hansen*)

Rep. Hansen introduced H.B. 99 and explained it to the committee.

Spoke in opposition to the bill: Terry Trease, citizen

Spoke to the bill: Lloyd Carr, Carr Printing Company

MOTION: Rep. Hendrickson moved to pass the bill out favorably.

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MOTION: Rep. Bigelow moved to proceed to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with Rep. Hansen and Rep. Hendrickson voting in opposition to the motion.

