

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION  
STANDING COMMITTEE**

February 6, 2004

Room 129, State Capitol Building

MEMBERS PRESENT      Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold, Vice Chair  
Rep. LaVar Christensen  
Rep. John Dougall  
Rep. James R. Gowans  
Rep. Kory M. Holdaway  
Rep. David L. Hogue  
Rep. Gregory H. Hughes  
Rep. Bradley T. Johnson  
Rep. Brad King  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Loraine T. Pace  
Rep. LaWanna Shurtliff

MEMBERS ABSENT:      Rep. James A. Ferrin  
Rep. Ann W. Hardy  
Rep. Margaret T. Dayton

STAFF PRESENT:      Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst  
Cindy Baker, Committee Secretary

**Note: List of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.**

Vice Chair Newbold called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m. and welcomed committee members.

**H.B. 100      School Professional Development Days (*Rep. B. Last*)**

MOTION:      Rep. Dougall moved to adopt 1st. Substitute H.B. 100. The motion passed  
unanimously with Rep. Hughes and Rep. Johnson absent for the vote.

Rep. B. Last said the bill provides flexibility in the school term so that more professional development can be accomplished. Rep. Last introduced Max Rose, Superintendent, and Rex Wilkie, Washington School District, who assisted in the presentation of the bill.

The following spoke in favor of the bill:  
Cheryl Phipps, Utah PTA

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:  
Pat Rusk, Utah Education Association  
Geoff Leonard, USBA

MOTION: Rep. Christensen moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Moss, Rep. Shurtliff, and Rep. Hogue voting in opposition.

**H.B. 248 Disclosure of Higher Education Costs (*Rep. R. Bigelow*)**

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

Page 2, Line 29: After "its" insert "undergraduate"

The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Bigelow explained the bill requires disclosure to students of certain higher education costs.

Dave Buhler, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education, responded to questions.

MOTION: Rep. Pace moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Dougall voting in opposition.

**H.B. 22 Civic and Character Education in Schools (*Rep. L. Christensen*)**

Rep. Christensen noted that Superintendent Newbold, Jordon School District, had to leave, but was here to speak in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Christensen moved to adopt 1st. Substitute H.B. 22. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Gowans, Rep. Hogue, and Rep. Holdaway absent for the vote.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Cheryl Phipps, Utah PTA

Vic Arnold, UEA

Gary Cameron, USSA

Chad Harris, USBA

MOTION: Rep. Holdaway moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Hogue moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice Chair Newbold adjourned the meeting at 3:34 p.m.

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Rep. Margaret Dayton, Chair

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