

MINUTES OF THE
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE
Wednesday, January 18, 2006
Room W130, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex

Members Present: Sen. David L. Thomas, Committee Chair
Sen. Patrice M. Arent
Sen. D. Chris Buttars
Sen. Dan R. Eastman
Sen. Karen Hale
Sen. Mark Madsen
Sen. Howard A. Stephenson

Staff Present: Phillip V. Dean, Policy Analyst
Bonnie Brinton, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Brett Moulding, Curriculum Director, Utah State Office of Education
Neil Hancey, Chairman, Credit Evaluation, Davis School District
Robert E. Gallegos, RAZ/PAC

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Committee Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Buttars moved to approve the minutes of January 17, 2006. The motion passed unanimously, with Sens. Eastman, Hale, Madsen and Stephenson absent for the vote.

1. S.B. 56 Secondary School Amendments (C. Buttars)

Sen. Buttars presented the bill.

Brett Moulding, Curriculum Director, Utah State Office of Education, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Shauna Carl, Executive Director, Curriculum, Salt Lake School District, distributed a handout titled, "State Office of Education Response to Senate Bill 56."

Neil Hancey, Chairman, Credit Evaluation, Davis School District, spoke to the bill.

Robert Gallegos, RAZ/PAC, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Hale moved to hold S.B. 56 in committee.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Sen. Madsen moved to amend S.B. 56 as follows:

Page 2, Line 54 through Page 3, Line 59

54 (1) (a) A public school shall accept credits awarded to a student by a school
 accredited
55 or approved by the State Board of Education or ~~{a regional accrediting body~~
 recognized by the
56 U.S. Department of Education} by the Association of Accredited Schools as
 either core curriculum or elective credit, except as provided
57 in Subsection (1) {-(b)} (c) .
 (b) A public school shall accept credits from supplemental education providers and
 other credit sources with written approval from the student's principal or designee.
58 = ~~{-(b)}~~ (c) Credits awarded for a core curriculum course shall be applied to
 fulfilling core
59 curriculum requirements, if the course is substantially aligned with the standards and
 objectives

The substitute motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Madsen moved to pass S.B. 56, as amended, out of committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Arent moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

Minutes reported by Bonnie Brinton, Secretary

Sen. David L. Thomas, Chair