

MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE  
Monday, February 11, 2008  
Room C415, State Capitol, State Capitol Complex

Members Present: Sen. Margaret Dayton, Committee Chair  
Sen. Greg Bell  
Sen. Pat Jones  
Sen. Darin Peterson  
Sen. Ross Romero  
Sen. Howard A. Stephenson  
Sen. Lyle Hillyard

Member Excused: Sen. Curtis Bramble

Staff Present: Phillip V. Dean, Policy Analyst  
Dee S. Larsen, Attorney  
Joan Tiffany, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Rep. Lynn Hemingway  
Sarah Meyer, Past President, Utah School Boards Association  
Susan Kuziak, Executive Director, Utah Education Association  
Rep. Carl Wimmer  
Larry Shumway, Deputy Superintendent, Utah State Office of  
Education  
Steven Peterson, Utah School Boards Association & Utah School  
Superintendents Association  
Rep. Jack Draxler  
Mason Bishop, Vice-President, Salt Lake Community College  
Rep. Lawanna Lou Shurtliff  
Sue Carey, Family Life Commissioner, Utah PTA  
Rep. Stephen D. Clark  
Mark Spencer, Associate Commissioner, Board of Regents

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

Committee Chair Dayton called the meeting to order at the designated time of 8:12 am as posted.

1. **H.B. 85 Teacher Loan Program**

Rep. Lynn Hemingway presented the amended H.B.85.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell made a motion to approve the minutes of February 5 and February 7 meetings. The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Bramble, Romero and Stephenson absent for the vote.

Sens. Hillyard, Bell, and Dayton discussed the bill.

Sarah Meyer and Susan Kuziak spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell made a motion to amend the bill to include the words "and when" after "if" in Line 77. This motion passed unanimously with Sens. Bramble, Jones and Stephenson absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to pass the amended H.B. 85 out of Committee with a favorable recommendation.

**MOTION:** Sen. Peterson made a substitute motion to move to the next item on the agenda. This motion passed unanimously with Sens. Bramble and Jones absent for the vote.

2. **H.B. 286 Permanent Teacher License Revocation for Sexual Activity with Students**

Rep. Carl Wimmer presented H.B.286.

Sens. Hillyard, Romero and Stephenson addressed the bill and discussed possible amendments.

Larry Shumway and Steven Peterson spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Stephenson moved to pass H.B.286 out of Committee with a favorable recommendation. This motion passed unanimously with Sens. Bramble, Jones and Hillyard absent for the vote.

3. **H.B. 86 Funding of Inmate Postsecondary Education**

Rep. Jack R. Draxler presented H.B. 86 and distributed two handouts.

Sens. Dayton, Stephenson and Bell discussed the bill.

Mr. Mason Bishop spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to pass H.B. 86 out of Committee with a favorable recommendation. This motion passed unanimously with Sens. Bramble, Jones and

Hillyard absent for vote.

4. **H.B. 234 Kindergarten Assessment Amendments**

Rep. LaWanna Shurtliff presented H.B. 234.

Sen. Stephenson discussed the bill.

Sarah Meyer and Sue Carey spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Romero moved to pass H.B. 234 out of Committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Jones, Bramble and Hillyard absent for the vote.

5. **H.B. 253 Higher Education Information Technology Appropriation**

Rep. Stephen D. Clark presented H.B. 253.

Sens. Stephenson and Bell discussed the bill and expressed concerns.

Mr. Mark Spencer spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Bell moved to pass H.B. 253 out of Committee with a favorable recommendation. The motion failed with Sens. Bell and Romero voting aye and Sens. Dayton, Peterson and Stephenson voting nay. Sens. Bramble, Jones and Hillyard were absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Romero moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Bramble, Jones and Hillyard absent for the vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 am.

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Senator Margaret Dayton, Chair

