

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, January 26, 2011
Room 445, State Capitol Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Bill Wright, Chair
Rep. LaVar Christensen, Vice Chair
Rep. Patrice Arent
Rep. Becky Edwards
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. John Mathis
Rep. Kay McIff
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Merlynn Newbold
Rep. Marie Poulson
Rep. Kraig Powell
Rep. Ken Sumsion

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Greg Hughes

STAFF PRESENT: Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Christensen called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to approve the minutes of January 25, 2011. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Newbold and Rep. Sumsion were absent for the vote.

H.B. 220 Civics Education Amendments (*Rep. M. Morley*)

Rep. Morley introduced the bill which modifies requirements for instruction in American history and government.

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

1. Page 2, Line 37:

37 (ii) the United States' form of government, a **constitutional** republic.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Sumsion moved to move on to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Newbold was absent for the vote.

H.J.R. 8 Joint Resolution Regarding School Supplies (Rep. K. Powell)

Rep. Powell introduced the joint resolution which proposes to amend the Utah Constitution to modify a provision relating to the public education system.

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

1. *Page 1, Lines 13 through 15:*

- 13 ▶ provide that nothing in the Education article may be construed to
 ~~{limit}~~ prohibit a school or
14 teacher within the public education system from ~~{asking}~~ inviting a student to
 ~~{-voluntarily~~
15 ~~provide}~~ furnish, on a voluntary basis, school supplies for the student's own use.

2. *Page 2, Lines 33 through 34:*

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 within the public education
34 system from ~~{asking}~~ inviting a student to ~~{-voluntarily~~
 ~~provide}~~ furnish, on a voluntary basis, school supplies for the student's own use.

The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Newbold and Rep. Sumsion were absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Mathis moved to hold the bill. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Newbold and Rep. Sumsion were absent for the vote.

H.J.R. 3 Joint Resolution Promoting Healthy and Energy Efficient Schools (Rep. M. Wheatley)

H.J.R. 3 was not considered.

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to adjourn at 5:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

