

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE
February 9, 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. Greg Hughes
Rep. John Mathis
Rep. Kay McIff
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Merlynn Newbold
Rep. Marie Poulson
Rep. Kraig Powell
Rep. Holly Richardson
Rep. Ken Sumsion

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Rebecca Lockhart

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 2:15 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to approve the minutes of February 7, 2011. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Hughes, Rep. McIff, Rep. Powell, Rep. Sumsion, and Rep. Wright were absent for the vote.

H.B. 92 Public Education Regional Service Centers (*Rep. B. Last*)

Rep. Last introduced the bill which enacts language related to regional service centers. He was assisted by Duke Mossman and Randy Johnson, directors of regional service centers.

Martell Menlove, Deputy Superintendent, Utah Office of Education, spoke to the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Barry Walker, Superintendent, South Summit School District
Jodee Sundberg, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School
Superintendents Association
M. G. Durrant, Daggett School District
Duane Jensen, Duchesne School District

MOTION: Rep. Powell moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Newbold moved to amend the bill as follows:

Page 2, Lines 32 - 42: Delete lines 32 - 42.

The motion failed with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Newbold, Rep. Richardson, Rep. Sumsion, and Rep. Christensen voting in favor of the motion.

A vote was taken on Rep. Powell's motion to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Newbold and Rep. Sumsion voting in opposition.

Rep. Christensen relinquished the chair to Rep. Wright.

H.B. 111 Full-day Kindergarten (*Rep. J. Anderson*)

Rep. Anderson introduced the bill which modifies the voluntary extended-day kindergarten program, with certain funding priorities.

The following spoke to the bill:

Gayle Ruzicka, Eagle Forum
Dr. Jackie De Gaston, Brigham Young University Family Studies

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Sara Krebs, Cache School District
Patti Harrington, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School
Superintendents Association.
Larry Jensen, Draper, preschool and kindergarten operator
Christine Kearl, Governor's Office
Janis Dubno, Voices for Utah Children
Kory Holdaway, Utah Education Association

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H.J.R. 15 **Joint Resolution Amending State Board of Education Provisions** (*Rep. C. Herrod*)

H.J.R. 15 was not considered.

H.B. 183 **School District Leave Policies** (*Rep. K. Grover*)

H.B. 183 was not considered.

MOTION: Rep. Christensen moved to adjourn at 3:55 p.m. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Hughes and Rep. Mathis were absent for the vote.

Bill Wright, Chair

