

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
Room 445, State Capitol  
January 25, 2012**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair  
Rep. Patrice Arent  
Rep. LaVar Christensen  
Rep. Becky Edwards  
Rep. Steven Eliason  
Rep. Greg H. Hughes  
Rep. John G. Mathis  
Rep. Kay L. McIff  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Merlynn Newbold  
Rep. Marie H. Poulson  
Rep. Kraig Powell  
Rep. Ken W. Sumsion

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Rep. Rebecca D. Lockhart

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rep. Bill Wright, Vice Chair

**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. Gibson called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Moss moved to approve the minutes of January 24, 2012. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Arent and Rep. Newbold were absent for the vote.

**H.B. 212      *Dividing School Districts (Rep. J. Bird)***

Rep. Bird introduced the bill which makes changes to certain new school district creation procedures. He introduced the following students and teacher from Copper Hills High School who assisted in presenting the bill:

Sean Lewis  
Nathan Elmer  
Alexia Diaz  
Shelly Harris  
Mr. Dennis Randall, Teacher

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Ashley Edwards, student  
Mr. Brian Allen, Cottonwood Heights

Peggy Jo Kennett, Jordan School District Board, spoke in support of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Newbold moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion failed with Rep. Newbold voting in support of the bill.

**H.B. 62 Provisions Regarding School Supplies (Rep. K. Powell)**

Rep. Powell introduced the bill which modifies provisions regarding school supplies for elementary school students.

**MOTION:** Rep. Powell moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 2, Line 44:

44 "NOTICE: FURNISHING THE ITEMS ON THIS LIST {~~ARE~~} IS  
OPTIONAL. NO ELEMENTARY

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

**MOTION:** Rep. Poulson moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 2, Lines 48 through 49:

48 STUDENT USE. EQUIVALENT SUPPLIES WILL BE FURNISHED AS  
NECESSARY BY THE SCHOOL TO  
49 ALL STUDENTS FREE OF CHARGE {~~AS NECESSARY~~} ."

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

**MOTION:** Rep. Arent moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 2, Line 48:

48 STUDENT USE. {~~EQUIVALENT~~} SUPPLIES WILL BE FURNISHED BY THE  
SCHOOL TO

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

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Ms. Kim Powell, citizen

Ms. Lisa Kirchenheiter, Park City School Board and Utah School Boards  
Association

Mr. Kory Holdaway, Utah Education Association

**MOTION:** Rep. Poulson moved to pass the bill out as amended with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Mathis voting in opposition. Rep. Hughes and Rep. Sumsion were absent for the vote.

**H.B. 261      Dividing of School Districts Amendments (*Rep. K. Sumsion*)**

H.B. 261 was not considered.

**MOTION:** Rep. Moss moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Gibson adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

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Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair

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