

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE EDUCATION  
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Thursday, February 9, 2017 • 3:00 pm • 30 House Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. Val L. Peterson, Chair  
Rep. Kim F. Coleman, Vice Chair  
Rep. LaVar Christensen  
Rep. Bruce R. Cutler  
Rep. Justin L. Fawson  
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings  
Rep. Daniel McCay  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Derrin R. Owens  
Rep. Marie H. Poulson

Rep. V. Lowry Snow

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Francis D. Gibson  
Rep. Bradley G. Last  
Rep. Michael E. Noel

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Allyson R. Goldstein, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Lorna Wells, Committee Secretary

**Note:** A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [le.utah.gov](http://le.utah.gov).

Vice Chair Coleman called the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m.

**1. H.B. 168 Kindergarten Supplemental Enrichment Program (*Snow, V. L.*)**

Rep. V. Lowry Snow explained the bill and distributed a handout titled, "Optional Extended-Day Kindergarten Washington County School District Pre- and Post-Assessment Summary 2015-2016"

Dr. Rich Nye, Deputy Superintendent, Utah State Board of Education spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Natalie Grange, Assistant Superintendent of Financial Operations, Utah State Board of Education spoke in favor of the bill.

Dr. Ryan Hassan, pediatrician, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Abby Albrecht, Public Policy Area Director, Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Christine Cooke, Education Policy Analyst, Sutherland Institute, spoke in favor of the bill.

Dr. Sara Jones, Utah Education Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Kara Sherman, Utah PTA Health Commissioner, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Snow moved to replace H.B. 168 with 1st Substitute H.B. 168. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-4.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. J. Fawson  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. V. Snow

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. M. Noel

**MOTION:** Rep. Poulson moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 168 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8-2-4.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. V. Snow

Nays:

Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. J. Fawson

Abs:

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. M. Noel

**2. H.C.R. 9 Concurrent Resolution Encouraging Consideration of a Later School Day Start for High School (*Moss, C.*)**

Rep. Carol Spackman Moss explained the concurrent resolution and distributed a document titled, "Utah should look hard at starting school later."

Dr. Ericka Opeck, American Academy of Pediatrics, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Brett Wilson, Principal, Early College High School for Math Engineering and Science spoke in favor of the bill.

Dr. Ryan Hassan, pediatrician spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Kim Frank, Executive Director, Utah Charter Network, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Hutchings moved to pass H.C.R. 9 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8-2-4.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. J. Fawson  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. M. Poulson

Nays:

Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. V. Peterson

Abs:

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. M. Noel  
Rep. V. Snow

**3. S.B. 49 Purpose of Minimum School Program (Fillmore, L.)**

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore explained the bill.

Chair Peterson assumed the chair.

**MOTION:** Rep. Fawson moved to amend S.B. 49 with Amendment #1.

1. Page 1, Line 26 through Page 2, Line 28:

26 (1) The purpose of this chapter is to provide a minimum school program for the state  
in  
27 accordance with the constitutional mandate. It recognizes that [~~all children~~] each  
child { ~~of~~ in the  
28 state [~~are~~] is entitled to reasonably equal educational opportunities regardless of [~~their~~]  
the

The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-4.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. J. Fawson  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. M. Poulson

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. M. Noel  
Rep. V. Snow

Ms. Mary Nielsen, Utah School Boards Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Dr. Sara Jones, Utah Education Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Ms. Kara Sherman, Utah PTA, spoke in opposition to the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. McCay moved to pass S.B. 49 out favorably. The motion failed with a vote of 3-7-4.

Yeas:

Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. J. Fawson  
Rep. D. McCay

Nays:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. M. Poulson

Abs:

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. M. Noel  
Rep. V. Snow

**4. 1st Sub. S.B. 64 Student Scholarship Amendments (*Fillmore, L.*)**

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Owens moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 64 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-5.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. J. Fawson  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. M. Poulson

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel  
Rep. V. Snow

**MOTION:** Rep. Fawson moved to place 1st Substitute S.B. 64 on the Consent Calendar.  
The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-5.

Yeas:

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. J. Fawson  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. M. Poulson

Nays:

Abs:

Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel  
Rep. V. Snow

The committee discussed a request from the Commission on Federalism.

**MOTION:** Rep. Poulson moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Peterson adjourned the meeting at 5:19 p.m.

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Rep. Val Peterson, Chair