

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

Monday , January 29, 2018 • 2:00 p.m. • 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. Francis D. Gibson  
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Derrin R. Owens

Rep. Marie H. Poulson  
Rep. V. Lowry Snow

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Bradley G. Last  
Rep. Daniel McCay  
Rep. Michael E. Noel

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Allyson R. Goldstein, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Wendy Hill, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Coleman called the meeting to order.

**MOTION:** Rep. Peterson moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 7 .

Yeas-7

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

Nays-0

Absent-7

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel  
Rep. V. Snow

**1 . H.B. 227 Minimum School Program Reporting Modifications (*Pulsipher, S.*)**

Rep. Susan Pulsipher explained the bill.

Ms. Tracy Miller, board member, Jordan School District, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Cutler moved to pass H.B. 227 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-11

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel

**2 . H.B. 230 Related to Basic School Programs Review (Fawson, J.)**

Rep. Justin L. Fawson explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Peterson moved to pass H.B. 230 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 3 .

Yeas-11

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

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel

**3 . H.B. 234 Compulsory Education Revisions (Moss, J.)**

Rep. Jefferson Moss explained the bill.

Ms. Alisa Ellis, member, Utah State Board of Education, speaking for herself, spoke for the bill.

Mr. Connor Boyack, President, Libertas Institute, spoke for the bill.

Dr. John Fahey, Superintendent, Wayne County School District, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Snow moved to amend H.B. 234 with a verbal amendment.

Amendment 1  
H.B. 234

1 Page 2, Lines 53 through 55

53 (9) "Valid excuse" means:

54 (a) [an] a {~~physical or mental~~} illness, which may be either mental or physical;

55 (b) a family death;

Rep. Snow's motion to amend H.B. 234 with a verbal amendment passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-10

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

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel

**MOTION:** Rep. Moss moved to pass H.B. 234 as amended out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-10

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

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel

**4 . H.B. 236 Public Education Reference Check Amendments (*Moss, J.*)**

Rep. Jefferson Moss explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Fawson moved to pass H.B. 236 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-10

Rep. L. Christensen  
Rep. K. Coleman  
Rep. B. Cutler  
Rep. J. Fawson  
Rep. F. Gibson  
Rep. C. Moss

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
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Rep. D. Owens  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. V. Snow

**MOTION:** Rep. Owens moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 4 .

Yeas-10

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

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. E. Hutchings  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. D. McCay  
Rep. M. Noel

Chair Coleman adjourned the meeting.