



# MINUTES

## SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 29, 2019 | 2:00 p.m. | 250 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Sen. Deidre M. Henderson, Chair  
Sen. Gene Davis  
Sen. Keith Grover  
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard  
Sen. Ann Millner  
Sen. Kathleen Riebe

Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson

**Members Absent:**

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore

**Staff Present:**

Ms. Allyson R. Hicks, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Karen Allred, 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 Henderson called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM.

**1 . S.B. 37 Interventions for Reading Difficulties Sunset Amendments (Millner, A.)**

Sen. Millner presented the bill with the assistance of Jennifer Thronsen, PreK-12 Literacy Coordinator, Utah State Board of Education.

Chair Henderson designated Sen. Grover to chair the meeting. Acting Chair Grover assumed the chair.

Phoebe Beacham, Co-founder, Decoding Dyslexia Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Aubrie Shaw, youth advocate, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mitchell Olson, youth advocate, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jennifer Price, President, Decoding Dyslexia Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Michele Chisholm, Decoding Dyslexia Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jody German, parent advocate, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to amend S.B. 37 with Amendment #1.

Amendment 1

S.B. 37

1. Page 4, Line 112:

112 (e) participate in training provided by the state board; and

Sen. Millner's motion to amend S.B. 37 with Amendment #1 passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-6

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Henderson

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to pass S.B. 37 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-6

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. L. Fillmore  
Sen. D. Henderson

**2 . S.B. 55 Charter Trust Land Council Amendments (*Escamilla (Robles), L.*)**

Sen. Escamilla presented the bill.

Jay Blain, Trust Land Advisory Committee, spoke in favor of the bill.

Royce Van Tassell, Utah Association of Public Charter Schools, spoke in favor of the bill.

Brad Asay, American Federation of Teachers of Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Sen. Henderson resumed the chair.

**MOTION:** Sen. Davis moved to pass S.B. 55 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. L. Fillmore

**3 . S.B. 91 Acceptance of Competency-based Education (*Millner, A.*)**

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to amend S.B. 91 with Amendment #1.

Amendment 1  
S.B. 91

1. Page 2, Lines 29 through 31:

29 (1) An institution of higher education:

30 (a) shall, for purposes of { administration } admission, scholarships, and other financial aid

31 consideration, recognize and accept on equal footing as a traditional high school diploma a

Sen. Millner's motion to amend S.B. 91 with Amendment #1 passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. L. Fillmore

Sen. Millner explained the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to pass S.B. 91 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. L. Fillmore

**4 . S.B. 94 Technical College Scholarship Amendments (Grover, K.)**

Sen. Grover presented the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Grover moved to pass S.B. 94 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. L. Fillmore

**MOTION:** Sen. Grover moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-7

Sen. G. Davis  
Sen. K. Grover  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. A. Millner  
Sen. K. Riebe  
Sen. J. Stevenson

Nays-0

Absent-1

Sen. L. Fillmore

Chair Henderson adjourned the meeting at 2:48 p.m.