



# MINUTES

## HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, February 11, 2019 | 3:40 p.m. | 30 House Building

**Members Present:**

Rep. V. Lowry Snow, Chair  
Rep. Susan Pulsipher, Vice Chair  
Rep. Melissa G. Ballard  
Rep. Dan N. Johnson  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Lee B. Perry  
Rep. Marie H. Poulson  
Rep. Adam Robertson  
Rep. Steve Waldrip

Rep. Christine F. Watkins

**Members Absent:**

Rep. Bradley G. Last  
Rep. Jefferson Moss  
Rep. Val L. Peterson

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Nathan W. Brady, 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 Snow called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Waldrip moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2019 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 7.

Yeas-6

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-7

Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. B. Last  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. V. Peterson  
Rep. A. Robertson

**1 . H.J.R. 13 Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution – State Board of Education (*Ballard, M.G.*)**

Rep. Melissa G. Ballard explained the joint resolution with the assistance of Spencer F. Stokes, former board member, Utah State Board of Education and Leslie Brooks Castle, former board member, Utah State Board of Education.

A handout "State Education Governance Structures: 2017 update" was distributed to the committee.

Richard C. Kendall, former Superintendent, Davis School District, spoke to the joint resolution.

Richard C. Kendall, former Superintendent, Davis School District, spoke in favor of the joint resolution.

Dorothy Bradford, citizen, spoke in opposition to the joint resolution.

Royce Van Tassell, Executive Director, Utah Association of Public Charter Schools, spoke in favor of the joint resolution.

Chase Clyde, Government Relations & Political Action, Utah Education Association, spoke in opposition to the joint resolution.

Todd R. Bingham, President, Utah Manufacturers Association, spoke in favor of the joint resolution.

Jennie Earl, board member, Utah State Board Of Education, spoke in opposition to the joint resolution.

Carol Barlow-Lear, board member, Utah State Board of Education spoke in opposition to the joint resolution.

Nicholeen Peck, President, Families Empowered Coalition, spoke in opposition to the joint resolution.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ballard moved to replace H.J.R. 13 with 2nd Substitute H.J.R. 13. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. V. Peterson

**MOTION:** Rep. Ballard moved to hold 2nd Substitute H.J.R. 13. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. V. Peterson

**2 . H.B. 260 Access Utah Promise Scholarship Program (Owens, D.)**

Rep. Derrin R. Owens explained the bill with the assistance of Brad L. Mortensen, President, Weber State University and Deneece G. Huftalin, President, Salt Lake Community College.

David L. Buhler, Commissioner of Higher Education, Utah State Board of Regents, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Vice Chair Pulsipher moved to replace H.B. 260 with 1st Substitute H.B. 260. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. V. Peterson

**MOTION:** Rep. Watkins moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 260 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. V. Peterson

**3 . H.C.R. 14 Concurrent Resolution Encouraging High Expectations for Students with Disabilities  
(Spendlove, R.)**

Rep. Robert M. Spendlove explained the resolution with the assistance of Karen Conder, Special Needs Specialist, Utah PTA.

Andrew Riggle, Public Policy Advocate, Disability Law Center, spoke in favor of the resolution.

Annette Kent, citizen, spoke in favor of the resolution.

Cory Holdaway, former teacher, spoke in favor of the resolution.

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to pass H.C.R. 14 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. V. Peterson

**MOTION:** Rep. Perry moved to place H.C.R. 14 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. V. Peterson

**MOTION:** Vice Chair Pulsipher moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. L. Perry  
Rep. M. Poulson  
Rep. S. Pulsipher  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. V. Snow  
Rep. S. Waldrip  
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last  
Rep. C. Moss  
Rep. J. Moss  
Rep. V. Peterson

Chair Snow adjourned the meeting at 5:59 p.m.