



MINUTES

HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 | 4:00 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. Val L. Peterson
Rep. Marie H. Poulson
Rep. Adam Robertson
Rep. Steve Waldrip

Rep. Christine F. Watkins

Members Absent:

Rep. Bradley G. Last
Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Lee B. Perry

Staff Present:

Micah Ann Wixom, Policy Analyst
Steve Benard, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Rep. Pulsipher assumed the chair.

Chair Pulsipher called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm.

MOTION: Rep. Johnson moved to approve the minutes for Feb 24, 2020. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 8.

Yeas-5

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. C. Watkins

Nays-0

Absent-8

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Waldrip

1 . S.B. 99 School Leadership Development Amendments (*Millner, A.*)

Sen. Ann Millner explained the bill with the assistance of Wayne Niederhauser, former Utah Senate President, and Darin Nielsen, Assistant Superintendent of Student Learning, Utah State Board of Education.

Terry Shoemaker with Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

Sydnee Dickson, Utah State Superintendent of Public Instruction, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Peterson moved to pass S.B. 99 out favorably.

MOTION: Rep. Robertson moved to amend S.B. 99 with Amendment #0. Substitute motion withdrawn.

Rep. Peterson's motion to pass S.B. 99 out favorably passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
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. L. Perry

2 . 1st Sub. S.B. 93 Math and Science Opportunities for Students and Teachers (*Hillyard, L.*)

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard explained the bill with the assistance of Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, Utah State Board of Education.

Terry Shoemaker, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Waldrip moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 93 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
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. L. Perry

3 . 1st Sub. S.B. 21 Education Amendments (*Riebe, K.*)

Sen. Kathleen Riebe explained the bill.

Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, Utah State Board of Education, spoke in favor of the bill.

Steve Hirasie, Utah PTA, spoke in favor of the bill.

Terry Shoemaker, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Snow moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 21 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-10

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
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. L. Perry

4 . H.B. 323 School Mental Health Amendments (*Eliason, S.*)

Rep. Steve Eliason explained the bill.

Nicholeen Peck, President of the Worldwide Organization for Women and acting President of the Empowered Families Coalition, spoke against the bill.

Gene Burton spoke in favor of the bill.

Luke Amsden, student at Bonneville High School, spoke in favor of the bill.

Eric Tadehara, Assistant Director at the Utah Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, explained the screening process.

Dr. Bill Cosgever, pediatrician, spoke in favor the bill.

Hillary Jessup spoke in favor of the bill.

Faylyn Hepworth, spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Ballard moved to substitute H.B. 323 with 1st Substitute H.B. 323. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 1 - 4.

Yeas-8

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-1

Rep. C. Watkins

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 323 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 4 - 4.

Yeas-5

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-4

Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. C. Watkins

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson

5 . H.B. 241 Kindergarten Attendance Amendments (*Shurtliff, L.*)

Rep. Shurtliff explained the bill with the assistance of Kristi Jacobsen, teacher at Hillcrest Elementary School in Ogden City School District, and Belen Pulsipher, teacher at Washington Terrace Elementary in Weber School District, and Melissa Freigang Weber County Intergenerational Poverty Strategist, Katie Amsden, principal, and Jamie Smith, 3rd grade teacher.

Jeffrey Van Hulten, Policy Advisor, Utah State Board of Education, spoke to the bill.

Terry Shoemaker, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association spoke in favor of the bill.

Gayle Ruzicka, Utah Eagle Forum, spoke against the bill.

Faylyn Hepworth, spoke against the bill.

Terry Shoemaker, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Ballard moved to replace H.B. 241 with 1st Substitute H.B. 241. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

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

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 241 out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Waldrip moved to hold 1st Substitute H.B. 241. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 5 - 4 - 4.

Yeas-5

Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-4

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. C. Watkins

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson

MOTION: Rep. Snow moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-9

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

Nays-0

Absent-4

Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson

Chair Pulsipher adjourned the meeting at 6:48 pm .

