



MINUTES

HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Monday, March 2, 2020 | 4:00 p.m. | 30 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. V. Lowry Snow, Chair
Rep. Susan Pulsipher, Vice Chair
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. Melissa G. Ballard
Rep. Bradley G. Last
Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Val L. Peterson

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.

Vice Chair Pulsipher called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to approve the minutes of February 27, 2020. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 8.

Yeas-5

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson

Nays-0

Absent-8

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. S. Waldrip
Rep. C. Watkins

1 . 1st Sub. S.B. 111 Higher Education Amendments (Millner, A.)

Sen. Ann Millner explained the bill.

Jared Haines, Interim Commissioner of Technical Education, Utah System of Technical Colleges, spoke in favor of the bill.

David Woolstenhulme, Interim Commissioner, Utah System of Higher Education, spoke in favor of the bill.

Brad Asay, President of the American Federation of Teachers Utah, spoke to the bill.

Nic Dunn, Director of Public Policy and Business Development, Utah Valley Chamber of Commerce, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to amend 1st Substitute S.B. 111 with Amendment #2.

Amendment 2
1st Sub. S.B. 111

1. Page 366, Line 11337 through Page 368, Line 11386:

11337 Board of Higher Education;".

11338 { ~~Section 204. Coordinating S.B. 111 with S.B. 146—Substantive and technical~~

- 11339 amendments.
- 11340 — If this S.B. 111 and S.B. 146, Boards and Commissions Modifications, both pass and
~~11341~~ become law, it is the intent of the Legislature that the Office of Legislative Research and
11342 General Counsel prepare the Utah Code database for publication by:
- 11343 — (1) creating a newly enacted Subsection 53B-1-501(4) to read:
- 11344 — "(4) Notwithstanding Section 67-1-2, for an appointment described in this section:
- 11345 — (a) a majority of the president of the Senate, the Senate majority leader, and the Senate
11346 minority leader may waive the 30-day requirement described in Subsection 67-1-2(1); and
11347 — (b) the Senate is not required to hold a confirmation hearing."; and
- 11348 — (2) modifying Subsections 67-1-2(2)(b) and (3) amended in S.B. 146 to read:
- 11349 — "(b) A majority of the president of the Senate, the Senate majority leader, and the
11350 Senate minority leader may waive the 30-day requirement described in Subsection (1) for a
11351 gubernatorial nominee other than a nominee for the following:
- 11352 — (i) a member of the State Tax Commission;
- 11353 — (ii) a member of the State Board of Education;
- 11354 — (iii) a member of the Utah Board of Higher Education; or
- 11355 — (iv) a member of a rulemaking board as that term is defined in Section 63G-24-202.
- 11356 — (3) The Senate shall hold a confirmation hearing for a nominee for an individual
11357 described in Subsections (2)(b)(i) through (iv)". }
- 11358 {— Section 205. Coordinating S.B. 111 with S.B. 60 and S.B. 146— Substantive and
11359 technical amendments.
- 11360 — If this S.B. 111, S.B. 60, Advice and Consent Amendments, and S.B. 146, Boards and
11361 Commissions Modifications, all pass and become law, it is the intent of the Legislature that the
11362 Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel prepare the Utah Code database for
11363 publication by:
- 11364 — (1) creating a newly enacted Subsection 53B-1-501(4) to read:
- 11365 — "(4) Notwithstanding Section 67-1-2, for an appointment described in this section:
- 11366 — (a) a majority of the president of the Senate, the Senate majority leader, and the Senate
11367 minority leader may waive the 30-day requirement described in Subsection 67-1-2(1); and
11368 — (b) the Senate is not required to hold a confirmation hearing."; and
- 11369 — (2) modifying Subsections 67-1-2(2)(b) and (3) amended in S.B. 60 and S.B. 146 to
11370 read:
- 11371 — "(b) A majority of the president of the Senate, the Senate majority leader, and the
~~11372~~ Senate minority leader may waive the 30-day requirement described in Subsection (1) for a
11373 gubernatorial nominee other than a nominee for the following:
- 11374 — (i) the executive director of a department;
- 11375 — (ii) the executive director of the Governor's Office of Economic Development;
- 11376 — (iii) the executive director of the Labor Commission;
- 11377 — (iv) a member of the State Tax Commission;
- 11378 — (v) a member of the State Board of Education;
- 11379 — (vi) a member of the Utah Board of Higher Education;
- 11380 — (vii) a member of a rulemaking board as that term is defined in Section 63G-24-202; or
- 11381 — (viii) an individual:
- 11382 — (A) whose appointment requires the advice and consent of the Senate; and
- 11383 — (B) whom the governor designates as a member of the governor's cabinet.
- 11384 — (3) The Senate shall hold a confirmation hearing for a nominee for an individual
11385 described in Subsections (2)(b)(i) through (viii)". }
- 11386 Section { 206 } 204. Revisor instructions.

Motion to amend 1st Substitute with Amendment #2 passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 8.

Yeas-5

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-0

Absent-8

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. C. Watkins

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 111 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 7.

Yeas-6

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-0

Absent-7

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. C. Watkins

2 . H.B. 391 School Textbook Fee Amendments (Lisonbee, K.)

Rep. Karianne Lisonbee explained the bill with the assistance of Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, Utah State Board of Education.

Rita Heagren, American Federation of Teachers, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass H.B. 391 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 2 - 6.

Yeas-5

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-2

Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Poulson

Absent-6

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. C. Watkins

3 . H.B. 360 Interactive Reading Software Amendments (Waldrip, S.)

Rep. Waldrip explained the bill with the assistance of Angie Stallings, Deputy Superintendent of Policy, Utah State Board of Education.

Jennifer Throndsen, Director of Teaching and Learning, Utah State Board of Education, explained the fiscal note.

MOTION: Rep. Robertson moved to pass H.B. 360 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 6.

Yeas-7

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson
Rep. S. Waldrip

Nays-0

Absent-6

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. C. Watkins

4 . H.B. 376 Dropout Prevention Amendments (*Johnson, D.N.*)

Rep. Dan N. Johnson explained the bill with the assistance of Jeffrey Van Hulten, Policy Advisor, Utah State Board of Education.

MOTION: Rep. Robertson moved to pass H.B. 376 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 7.

Yeas-6

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson

Nays-0

Absent-7

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. S. Waldrip
Rep. C. Watkins

MOTION: Rep. Robertson moved to recess. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 7.

Yeas-6

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. L. Perry
Rep. M. Poulson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Robertson

Nays-0

Absent-7

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. S. Waldrip
Rep. C. Watkins

Vice Chair Pulsipher called the meeting back to order.

5 . S.B. 73 Reading Assessment Expansion Amendments (*Stevenson, J.*)

Rep. V. Lowry Snow explained the bill with the assistance of Sara Wiebke, Literacy Coordinator, Utah State Board of Education.

Karen Gregory, Associate Director, Elementary Literacy, Granite School District, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Perry moved to pass S.B. 73 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. S. Waldrip

MOTION: Rep. Watkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 5.

Yeas-8

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

Nays-0

Absent-5

Rep. M. Ballard
Rep. B. Last
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. S. Waldrip

Vice Chair Pulsipher adjourned the meeting at 5:33 pm .