



DRAFT MINUTES

SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Monday, February 28, 2022 | 4:00 p.m. | 30 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. John D. Johnson, Chair
President J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Sen. Michael K. McKell

Sen. Ann Millner
Sen. Kathleen A. Riebe

Staff Present:

Alex R. Janak, Managing Policy Analyst
Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

1. 2nd Sub. H.B. 356 Athletic Coaching Standards Amendments (*Teuscher, J.*)

Rep. Jordon D. Teuscher presented the bill with the assistance of Matt Rickards, Vice President, Utah Football Coaches Association. Rep. Teuscher had a handout distributed to the committee.

[Athletic Coaching](#)

Lexi Cunnginham, Executive Director, Utah State Superintendents Association (USSA) and Associate Executive Director, Utah School Boards Association (USBA) spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jonathan Bejarano spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 2 - 1 - 3.

Yeas - 2
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 1
Sen. J. Johnson

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. A. Millner

2. S.B. 251 Grow Your Own Teacher and School Counselor Pipeline Program (*Riebe, K.*)

Sen. Reibe presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to pass S.B. 251 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

3. H.B. 380 School Enrollment Amendments (*Winder, M.*)

Rep. Mike Winder presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to pass H.B. 380 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

4. H.B. 420 Title IX Reporting (*Birkeland, K.*)

Rep. Kera Birkeland presented the bill.

Nicholene Peck, President, Worldwide Organization for Women, spoke in favor of the bill.

Genevra Prothero spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to pass H.B. 420 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

5. S.B. 244 Ethnic Studies Amendments (*Cullimore, K. A.*)

Sen. Kirk A. Cullimore presented the bill with the assistance of Dr. Jackie Thompson, Co-Chair, Utah Ethnic Studies Coalition.

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to replace S.B. 244 with 1st Substitute S.B. 244. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

Dr. Kathleen Christy, Co-Chair, Utah Ethnic Studies Coalition assisted with the presentation of the bill, and Rep. Sandra Hollins responded to a question from the committee.

A handout was distributed from the Utah Ethnic Studies Coalition

[Ethnic Studies](#)

Sophi, 5th grade, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jenetta Williams, President, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Salt Lake Branch, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jonas Rodriguez spoke in opposition to the bill.

Dr. Melissa Inouye, Utah Parents for Teachers, and an Historian, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nicholene Peck, President, Worldwide Organization for Women, spoke to the bill.

Dr. Forrest Crawford, Retired Faculty, Department of Teacher Education, Weber State University, spoke in favor of the bill.

John Harvey, State Director of Blexit Utah and Host of The Modern Conservative Podcast, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Michelle Loveday, Educator, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Darlene McDonald, Technology Professional, spoke in favor of the bill.

Monica Wilbur, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Christina Boggess spoke in opposition to the bill.

David Burton spoke to the bill.

Jenny Earl spoke to the bill.

Curtis Linton, Ethnics Studies Coalition, spoke in favor of the bill.

Becky Hope spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jefferson Shupe, Leader, Utah Chapter of Foundation Against Intolerance and Racism (FAIR), spoke to the bill.

Steve Phelps spoke in favor of the bill.

Roselle Hansen, Parent from Australia, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Cari Bartholomew spoke in opposition to the bill.

James M. Evans, Utah Ethnics Coalition, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jenessa Jimoh, Founder of a non-profit, Diversity Inclusion Values Action, spoke in favor of the bill.

David Hollins, parent, spoke in favor of the bill.

Annie Massey spoke in opposition to the bill.

Steve Christiansen spoke in opposition to the bill.

James Jackson III spoke in favor of the bill.

Betty Sawyer, President, Ogden, NAACP, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 244 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

6. H.B. 396 Paid Professional Hours for Educators (Moss, J.)

Rep. Jefferson Moss presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. McKell moved to replace H.B. 396 with 1st Substitute H.B. 396. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

Sara Jones, Utah Education Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jennifer Throndsen, Director of Teaching and Learning, Utah State Board of Education (USBE), spoke in favor of the bill.

Rita Heagren, American Federation of Teachers, Utah, spoke in favor of the bill.

Genevra Prothero, parent in Davis County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jonathan Bejarano spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 396 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 4
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 2
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. A. Millner

7. H.B. 419 Audit Committee Authority Amendments (Peterson, K.)

Rep. Karen M. Peterson presented the bill.

Sen. McKell assumed the chair.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to pass H.B. 419 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 3
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 3
Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. A. Millner

8. 1st Sub. H.B. 386 Education Innovation Program (Welton, D.)

Rep. Douglas R. Welton presented the bill.

Chair Johnson resumed the chair.

Nicholene Peck, President, Worldwide Organization for Women, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rita Heagren, Retired High School Math Teacher, spoke in favor of the bill.

Cari Bartholomew spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Fillmore moved to amend 1st Substitute H.B. 386 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 1.

Amendment 1
1st Sub. H.B. 386

1. Page 4, Line 113:
113 (B) within ~~{30}~~ 120 days after the completion of the school year during which the opportunity

Yeas - 5
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Sen. J. Adams

MOTION: Sen. Fillmore moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 386 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 5
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Sen. J. Adams

9. S.B. 258 Rocky Mountain Center for Occupational and Environmental Health Amendments (Mayne, K.)

Sen. Millner presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Millner moved to pass S.B. 258 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 5
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe

Nays - 0

Absent - 1
Sen. J. Adams

10. S.B. 245 School Turnaround Program Revisions (Millner, A.)

Sen. Millner presented the bill.

Leah Voorhies, Assistant Superintendent of Students, Utah State Board of Education (USBE), responded to questions.

Leah Voorhies, Assistant State Superintendent of Students, USBE, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jennie Earl, USBE, speaking for herself, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to pass S.B. 245 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0 - 0.



Yeas - 6

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. L. Fillmore
Sen. J. Johnson
Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe

Sen. McKell assumed the chair.

11. S.B. 257 Divisive Concepts in Government and Education (*Johnson, J.*)

Sen. Johnson presented the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Riebe moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 3 - 2 - 1.

Yeas - 3

Nays - 2

Absent - 1

Sen. M. McKell
Sen. A. Millner
Sen. K. Riebe

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Johnson

Sen. L. Fillmore

Chair McKell adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.