



MINUTES

HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 | 4:00 p.m. | 120 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Candice B. Pierucci, Chair
Rep. Dan N. Johnson, Vice Chair
Rep. Kera Birkeland
Rep. Tyler Clancy
Rep. Joseph Elison
Rep. Katy Hall
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee
Rep. Steven J. Lund
Rep. Carol S. Moss
Rep. Karen M. Peterson

Rep. Susan Pulsipher
Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. R. Neil Walter

Members Absent:

Rep. Jefferson Moss
Rep. Val L. Peterson
Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Robert Wood, Policy Analyst
Shay Berger, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Pierucci called the meeting to order at 3:59p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 0 - 8.

Yeas - 8

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 8

Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. M. Schultz

1. H.B. 293 Educational Psychologist Amendments (*Barlow, S.*)

Rep. Stewart Barlow introduced the bill.

Dr. Nanci Klein, Director of Professional Affairs, Utah Psychologist Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Elaine Clark, licensed psychologist, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Birkeland moved to replace H.B. 293 with 1st Substitute H.B. 293. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 9

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Birkeland moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 293 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 9

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. M. Schultz

2. S.B. 83 Public Education Funding Equalization (*Fillmore, L.*)

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore introduced the bill.

[Handout for SB83](#)

Mark Clement, Vice President, Utah School Boards Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jay Blaine, Utah Education Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Johnson moved to pass S.B. 83 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 13

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz

3. 1st Sub. S.B. 65 Charter School Authorizers Modifications (*Fillmore, L.*)

Rep. Lincoln Fillmore introduced the bill.

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

Cynthia Phillips, Vice Chair of Utah State Charter School Board, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Lisonbee moved to pass 1st Substitute S.B. 65 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 1 - 3.

Yeas - 12

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 1

Rep. K. Peterson

Absent - 3

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz

4. H.B. 334 Health Education Amendments (Moss, C.)

Rep. Moss introduced the bill with Laurieann Thorpe, Director of Prevent Child Abuse Utah, Deondra Brown, 5 Browns Music Group, and Jodi Parker, Utah State Board of Education.

[Handout for HB334](#)

Nicoleen Peck, President of the World Wide Organization of Women, spoke against the bill.

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

Monica Wilbur, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Kristina Pexton, Utah Parent Teacher Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Brooke Stephens, Curriculum Director, Utah Parents United, spoke against the bill.

[Speaker handout for HB334](#)

Carol Lear, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

Brad Asay, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Dalane England, United Women's Forum, spoke against the bill.

Taryn Hyatt, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jenny Earl, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Michelle Curtis, teacher and social worker, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rep. Johnson assumed the chair.

Cynthia Phillips, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Diane Forster-Burke, Utah Nurses Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Rep. Pierucci assumed the chair.

Nate Affleck, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Rabbi Avremi Zippel, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Pam Vickrey, Executive Director of Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys, spoke

Nicole Christoffersen, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Corinne Johnson, Utah Parents United, spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to hold H.B. 334. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 13

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Rep. T. Clancy
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Rep. K. Hall
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz

MOTION: Rep. Birkeland moved to adjourn at 6:05p.m. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas - 13

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. T. Clancy
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Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 3

Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz

NOTE: H.B. 0372 was not discussed in the meeting.