



MINUTES

HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 23, 2023 | 8:00 a.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. Jefferson Moss

Rep. Karen M. Peterson
Rep. Susan Pulsipher
Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. R. Neil Walter

Members Absent:

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.

MOTION: Rep. Johnson moved to approve the minutes. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 9

Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. M. Schultz

1. H.B. 489 Educator Paid Professional Hours (Moss, J.)

Rep. Jefferson Moss introduced the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Clancy moved to pass H.B. 489 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 0 - 7.

Yeas - 9

Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. R. Walter

Nays - 0

Absent - 7

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. M. Schultz

2. H.B. 442 State Board of Education Modifications (King, Brian S.)

Rep. Brian King introduced the bill.

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

MOTION: Rep. Johnson moved to pass H.B. 442 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 6.

Yeas - 10

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 6

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz

[Handout for HB217](#)

3. 1st Sub. H.B. 217 School Energy and Water Reductions (*Bennion, G.*)

Rep. Gay Lynn Bennion introduced the bill.

Ben Horsely, Granite School District, spoke in favor of the bill.

Heather Anderson, Utah Association of Special Districts, spoke in favor of the bill.

David Peterson, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to replace 1st Substitute H.B. 217 with 2nd Substitute H.B. 217. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 11

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

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

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to pass 2nd Substitute H.B. 217 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 2 - 5.

Yeas - 9

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

Nays - 2

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. C. Pierucci

Absent - 5

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

4. H.B. 464 School Materials Amendments (Ivory, K.)

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Rep. Ken Ivory introduced the bill with Jennie Earl, Vice Chair of the Utah State Board of Education, Andrea Ni, Park City resident and mother, and Brooke Stephens, Education Director for Utah Parents United.

Nicholeen Peck, President of the World Wide Women Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Dr. Sara Jones, Utah Education Association, spoke against the bill.

Susanna Johnson, Student, spoke in favor of the bill.

Lyla Mahmoud, American Civil Liberties Union Utah, spoke against the bill.

Kristina Dogus, citizen, spoke in favor of the bill.

Catherine Bates, high school librarian, spoke against the bill.

Carrie Bartholomew, mother, spoke in favor of the bill.

Crystal Young, Utah Cultural Alliance, spoke to the bill.

Steve Sparti, parent, spoke in favor of the bill.

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

Aaron Bullen, Lehi resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

Briawna Ainge Hugh, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Stew Campbell, parent, spoke in favor of the bill.

Jeanine Bee, citizen, spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Clancy moved to replace H.B. 464 with 1st Substitute H.B. 464. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 12

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

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

MOTION: Rep. Walter moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 464 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 6 - 3.

Yeas - 7

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. T. Clancy
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. K. Hall
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Pierucci

Nays - 6

Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Romero
Rep. R. Walter

Absent - 3

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

5. H.B. 465 Public School Library Transparency Amendments (Welton, D.)

Rep. Douglas Welton introduced the bill.

Cameron White, parent, spoke in favor of the bill.

Lyla Mahmoud, American Civil Liberties Union Utah, spoke to the bill.

Michelle Edgely, librarian and parent, spoke against the bill.

Ben Horsely, Granite School District, spoke to the bill.

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

MOTION: Rep. Walter moved to replace H.B. 465 with 1st Substitute H.B. 465. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 4.

Yeas - 12

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 4

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

MOTION: Rep. Birkeland moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 465 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 2 - 4.

Yeas - 10

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

Nays - 2

Rep. C. Moss
Rep. A. Romero

Absent - 4

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

6. H.B. 197 Higher Education Financial Aid Amendments (Clancy, T.)

Rep. Clancy introduced the bill.

Dave Pulsipher, Utah System of Higher Education, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to amend H.B. 197 with Amendment #2. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 5.

Amendment 2
H.B. 197

1. Page 5, Lines 128 through 130:

128 (4) A student is eligible for a promise grant until the student:
129 (a) earns a first bachelor's degree{ [or technical college certificate](#) }; or
130 (b) completes 120 credit hours.

2. Page 8, Lines 231 through 236:

231 (4) A qualifying military veteran may receive a program grant []{+}until{+} [the earlier of the
232 following occurs] { [when](#) }:
233 (a) the qualifying military veteran completes the requirements for a bachelor's degree;
234 or
235 (b) [12 months from the time that] the qualifying military veteran receives [an initial
236 program grant] the maximum award that the board sets.

Yeas - 11

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Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. R. Walter

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to pass H.B. 197 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 11

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

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
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Rep. R. Walter

MOTION: Rep. Lund moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 11

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Rep. D. Johnson
Rep. S. Lund
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. K. Peterson
Rep. C. Pierucci
Rep. S. Pulsipher
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Moss
Rep. V. Peterson
Rep. M. Schultz
Rep. R. Walter