

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**

February 24, 2004

Room 129, State Capitol Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Margaret Dayton, Chair
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold, Vice Chair
Rep. LaVar Christensen
Rep. John Dougall
Rep. James A. Ferrin
Rep. James R. Gowans
Rep. Ann W. Hardy
Rep. Kory M. Holdaway
Rep. David L. Hogue
Rep. Gregory H. Hughes
Rep. Bradley T. Johnson
Rep. Brad King
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Loraine T. Pace
Rep. LaWanna Shurtliff

STAFF PRESENT: Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst
Cindy Baker, Committee Secretary

Note: List of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Chair Dayton called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m. and welcomed committee members.

MOTION: Rep. Ferrin moved to accept the minutes of February 13, 16, and 19, 2004. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Christensen, Rep. Dougall, Rep. Hogue, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Newbold, Rep. Moss and Rep. Shurtliff absent for the vote.

S.C.R. 4 Resolution Recognizing 50th Anniversary of Landmark Case of Brown V. Board of Education (*Sen. J. Evans*)

MOTION: Rep. Holdaway moved to pass out S.C.R 4 with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dougall, Rep. Hogue, Rep. Hughes Rep. Newbold, and Rep. Shurtliff absent for the vote.

H.B. 107 Appropriation to Meet Highly Qualified Teacher Standards (*Rep. K. Holdaway*)

Rep. Holdaway introduced H.B.107 and said that this bill creates a grant program to help pay expenses of teachers in meeting federal highly qualified teacher requirements.

The following spoke in favor of the bill:
Susan Kusiak, Utah Education Association

The following spoke to the bill:
Geoff Leonard, Utah School Employees Association

MOTION: Rep. Johnson moved to pass H.B.107 out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Dayton, Rep. Hughes, and Rep. Ferrin voting in opposition and Rep. Dougall and Rep. Newbold, absent for the vote.

S.B. 40 Cesar Chavez Scholarship Program (Sen. J. Evans)

Sen. Evans introduced S.B.40 and said th bill creates within an existing state financial aid program, the Cesar Chavez Scholarship Program.

MOTION: Rep. King moved to pass S.B.40 out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Pace voting in opposition and Rep. Dougall absent for the vote.

S.B. 154 School Building Legislative Task Force (Sen. H. Stephenson)

MOTION: Rep. Ferrin moved to pass S.B.154 out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Pace and Rep. Shurtliff voting in opposition and Rep. Dougall absent for the vote.

H.B. 224 Repeal of Public Education Amendments (Rep. J. Buffmire)

Rep. Buffmire introduced H.B.224 and said the bill repeals amendments to the Public Education Code and Elections Code made in S.B.154, Public Education Amendments, of the 2003 General Session.

MOTION: Rep. Holdaway moved to delete line 26 and reinstate the original language in lines 165 through 169 and renumber accordingly. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Dougall absent for the vote.

The following spoke in favor of the bill:
Gary Cameron, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association
Pat Rusk, Utah Education Association

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:
Tom Bingham, President of Utah Business Coalition

MOTION: Rep. Ferrin moved to move to the next item on the agenda.

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MOTION: Rep. King moved to pass H.B.224 out with a favorable recommendation.. The motion failed with Rep. Gowans, Rep. Moss, Rep. Shurtliff, Rep. Hogue, Rep.King, Rep. Holdaway, and Rep. Pace voting in favor of the motion.

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MOTION: Rep. Ferrin moved to adjourn. The motion passed with Rep. Gowans, Rep. Moss, Rep. Shurtliff, and Rep. King voting in opposition.

Chair Dayton adjourned the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

Rep. Margaret Dayton, Chair