

**REVISED MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE RETIREMENT AND INDEPENDENT ENTITIES STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 305, State Capitol**

February 16, 2004

Members Present: Rep. David Clark, Chair
Rep. Ann W. Hardy, Vice Chair
Rep. Eli H. Anderson
Rep. Ron Bigelow
Rep. Judy Ann Buffmire
Rep. James A. Ferrin
Rep. Rebecca Lockhart
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold

Members Absent: Rep. Neil A. Hansen

Staff Present: Mr. Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst
Mr. Dee S. Larsen, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Greta Rodebush, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Vice Chair Hardy called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Anderson moved to approve the minutes of January 30, 2004. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Bigelow, Rep. Ferrin, and Rep. Lockhart absent for the vote.

H.B. 263 State Retirement System Amendments (*Rep. B. King*)

Representative King explained the bill to the committee.

Robert Newman, Executive Director, Utah Retirement Systems, spoke to the bill.

Jim Eldredge, Utah Education Association, and Corey Landeen, Utah Public Employees Association, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Representative Clark moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Representative Ferrin and Representative Lockhart absent for the vote.

Vice Chair Hardy informed the committee that HB 290 Insurance and Retirement for Charter School Employees (*Rep. M. Newbold*) had been heard earlier in another committee and will not be heard again at this meeting.

H.B. 108 Insurance and Retirement for Charter School Employees (*Rep. M. Newbold*)

Representative Newbold explained the bill to the committee.

Robert Newman, Utah Retirement Systems, spoke to the bill.

Jeff Leonard, Utah School Employees Association, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Jim Eldredge, Utah Education Association, expressed some concerns with the bill.

Julie Adamic, Director, John Hancock Charter School, and Max Meyer, Business Manager, American Preparatory Academy of Draper, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Representative Ferrin moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Representative Anderson, Representative Bigelow, and Representative Buffmire voting in opposition.

MOTION: Representative Clark moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice Chair Hardy adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Rep. David Clark, Chair

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