

MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 12, 2004  
ROOM 131, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Sen. Bill Wright, Committee Chair  
Sen. Patrice M. Arent  
Sen. D. Chris Buttars  
Sen. Karen Hale  
Sen. Sheldon L. Killpack  
Sen. Howard A. Stephenson

Members Absent: Sen. David L. Gladwell  
Sen. John L. Valentine

Staff Present: Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst  
Nedra Duzett, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Ken Zanger, American Federation of Teachers  
Gary Cameron, Utah School Boards Association  
Cheryl Phipps, Utah PTA  
Carl Boyington, Utah Secondary School Principals Association

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

Committee Chair Wright called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hale moved to approve the minutes of February 10, 2004.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Stephenson absent for the vote.

1. S.B. 156 Substitute Teachers Volunteer Program (*J. Evans*)

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. *Page 1, Lines 9 through 10:*

9 This bill amends the State System of Public Education Code by creating a pilot program

- 10 to recruit professionals to volunteer as substitute teachers or teachers'  
assistants .
2. *Page 1, Lines 13 through 14:*
- 13 ▶ creates a pilot program to recruit individuals from a variety of professions  
to
- 14 volunteer at least one day per year as a substitute teacher or teacher's  
assistant ;
3. *Page 2, Line 36:*
- 36 **53A-4-206. Volunteer Substitute and Assistant Teachers Pilot  
Program.**
4. *Page 2, Lines 37 through 38:*
- 37 (1) A pilot program is created to recruit individuals from a variety of  
professions to
- 38 volunteer at least one day per year as a substitute teacher or teacher's  
assistant .

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Evans said the bill creates a pilot program to recruit professionals to volunteer as substitute teachers.

Ken Zanger, American Federation of Teachers, asked a question of the sponsor.

Gary Cameron, Utah School Boards Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hale moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. S.B. 61 Acceptance of Federally Funded Breakfast Program for Children (*P. Julander*)

Sen. Wright announced that the sponsor requested the bill be considered at a later date.

3. H.C.R. 7 Resolution Recognizing Legislators Back to School Week (*K. Holdaway*)

Rep. Holdaway explained the resolution recognizes support for America's Legislators Back to School Week.

**MOTION:** Sen. Buttars moved to pass the resolution out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. H.B. 46 Appropriation for School Districts Impacted by Fee Waivers (*L. Shurtliff*)

Rep. Shurtliff explained the bill provides a partial reimbursement to school districts for fee waivers.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Cheryl Phipps, Utah PTA

Carl Boyington, Utah Secondary School Principals Association

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed with Sen. Stephenson and Sen. Wright voting in opposition.

**MOTION:** Sen. Arent moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Sen Wright adjourned the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Minutes reported by Nedra Duzett, Secretary

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Sen. Bill Wright