

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION  
STANDING COMMITTEE**

January 29, 2008

Room W135, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Gregory H. Hughes, Chair  
Rep. Patrick Painter, Vice Chair  
Rep. Sylvia S. Andersen  
Rep. Craig A. Frank  
Rep. James R. Gowans  
Rep. Kory M. Holdaway  
Rep. Bradley G. Last  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold  
Rep. LaWanna "Lou" Shurtliff  
Rep. Kenneth W. Sumsion  
Rep. Stephen Urquhart  
Rep. Mark A. Wheatley

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rep. Brad L. Dee  
Rep. Rebecca Lockhart

**STAFF PRESENT:** Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst  
Linda Service, Committee Secretary  
Dee S Larsen, Associate General Counsel

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

Rep. Hughes called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

**H.B. 85      Teacher Loan Program (Rep. L. Hemingway)**

Rep. Hemingway introduced the bill which creates a home loan program for teachers.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Larry Shumway, State Board of Education  
Sarah Meier, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents  
Association  
Vic Arnold, Utah Education Association

**MOTION:** Rep. Painter moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 2, Line 34:

34            (i) teach full time in a school district **or charter school** within the state;

2. *Page 2, Line 47:*

47 (i) \$5,000 of the loan principal if the teacher teaches in a school district or charter school for five

3. *Page 2, Line 49:*

49 (ii) the remaining amount of the loan principal if the teacher teaches in a school district or charter school

4. *Page 2, Line 52:*

52 (i) does not teach in a school district or charter school for five consecutive years after receiving the loan

5. *Page 2, Lines 54 through 55:*

54 period not to exceed five years after discontinuing teaching in a school district or charter school ; or

55 (ii) teaches in a school district or charter school for more than five consecutive years but less than ten

6. *Page 2, Line 58:*

58 years after discontinuing teaching in a school district or charter school ;

7. *Page 3, Line 62:*

62 time period a teacher teaches in any school district or charter school or combination of school districts or charter schools in the

The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Sumsion was absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Holdaway moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed with Rep. Newbold and Rep. Frank voting in opposition. Rep. Sumsion was absent for the vote.

**H.B. 286 Permanent Teacher License Revocation for Sexual Activity with Students**  
*(Rep. C. Wimmer)*

Rep. Wimmer introduced the bill which requires the State Board of Education to permanently revoke an educator's license under certain conditions.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Sarah Meier, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association

MOTION: Rep. Anderson moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Urquhart was absent for the vote.

**H.B. 86 Funding of Inmate Postsecondary Education (Rep. J. Draxler)**

Rep. Draxler introduced the bill which provides an appropriation for existing inmate post-secondary education.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Jeff Galli, Utah State Office of Education  
Michael Kennedy, Utah State University  
Rick Bouillon, Salt Lake Community College  
Paul Hacking, Uinta Basin Applied Technology College

MOTION: Rep. Painter moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Urquhart was absent for the vote.

**H.B. 241 Repeal of Exemptions from Nonresident Tuition (Rep. G. Donnelson)**

Rep. Donnelson introduced the bill which modifies eligibility criteria for an exemption from the nonresident position of total tuition at a state institution of higher education.

The following spoke in favor of the bill:

Betty Watkin, parent  
Eli Cawley, Utah Minuteman Project  
Dr. Ronald Mortensen  
Karianne Lisonbee, Eagle Forum  
Charlene Booth, Citizen Construction Coordinator

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Chris Gambroulas, Ivory Homes  
Dr. Octavio Villalpando, Chief Diversity Officer, University of Utah  
Jennifer Smith, United Way  
Amanda Covington, Utah State Higher Education  
Denise Castaneda, Utahns for the American Dream

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MOTION: Rep. Painter moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Moss, Rep. Wheatley, Rep. Gowans, Rep. Shurtliff, and Rep. Holdaway voting in opposition.

Rep. Painter moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

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Rep. Gregory H. Hughes, Chair