

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
Room 445, State Capitol  
January 24, 2012**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair  
Rep. Bill Wright, Vice Chair  
Rep. Patrice Arent  
Rep. LaVar Christensen  
Rep. Becky Edwards  
Rep. Steven Eliason  
Rep. Greg H. Hughes  
Rep. Kay L. McIff  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Merlynn Newbold  
Rep. Marie H. Poulson  
Rep. Kraig Powell  
Rep. Ken W. Sumsion

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Rep. Rebecca D. Lockhart

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rep. John G. Mathis

**STAFF PRESENT:** Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst  
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

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

Rep. Wright called the meeting to order at 2:20 p.m.

**H.B. 53      Utah Education Network Amendments (*Rep. R. Menlove*)**

Rep. Menlove introduced the bill which modifies the governance of the Utah Education Network (UEN).

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Eric Denna, Utah Education Network, University of Utah  
Dave Buhler, Utah Board of Regents  
Larry Shumway, State School Superintendent

**MOTION:** Rep. Hughes moved to adopt 1st Substitute H.B. 53. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Moss absent at the time of voting.

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

1. *Page 2, Lines 36 through 37:*

36 (i) coordinate and support the telecommunications needs of public and higher  
37 education, public libraries, and ~~{other state}~~ entities affiliated with the state  
systems of public and higher education as approved by the Utah Education  
Network Board, including the statewide

2. *Page 4, Line 116:*

116 (f) ~~{may}~~ shall establish an advisory council to assist the Utah Education  
Network Board in

The motion passed. Rep. Moss was absent at the time of voting.

**MOTION:** Rep. Gibson moved to pass the bill out as substituted and amended. The motion passed with Rep. Christensen voting in opposition. Rep. Moss was absent at the time of voting.

**H.B. 15 Statewide Adaptive Testing (Rep. G. Hughes)**

Rep. Hughes, assisted by Debra Roberts, State Board of Education, introduced the bill which requires school districts and charter schools to administer computer adaptive tests aligned with the common core.

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

1. *Page 2, Lines 46 through 47:*

46 (2) "Common core" means ~~{a}~~ the core set of English language arts and  
mathematics  
47 standards developed ~~{by states}~~ and adopted by the State Board of Education which  
define the

The motion passed with Rep. Arent, Rep. Moss, and Rep. Poulson voting in opposition.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Peter Cannon, Davis School District  
Pamela Smith, Citizen  
Kris Kimball, Citizen

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**MOTION:** Rep. Newbold moved to pass the bill out as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

**H.B. 207      Requirements to Create School Districts (*Rep. J. Dougall*)**

The bill was not considered.

**MOTION:** Rep. Arent moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Wright adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

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