

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE
ROOM 415, STATE CAPITOL
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012**

Members Present: Sen. Aaron Osmond, Chair
 Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
 Sen. Karen W. Morgan
 Sen. Howard A. Stephenson
 Sen. Jerry Stevenson
 Sen. Daniel Thatcher

Members Excused: Sen. Wayne L. Niederhauser

Staff Present: Ms. Allison Nicholson, Policy Analyst
 Ms. Wendy Hill, Secretary

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

Chair Osmond called the meeting to order at 3:29 pm.

S.B. 39 Gubernatorial Authority over Higher Education Officials (*Sen. S. Reid*)

Sen. Reid introduced and explained the bill.

Spoke to the bill: Dave Buhler, Associate Commissioner, Utah System of Higher Education
 Rob Brems, President, Utah College of Applied Technology

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed
 unanimously with Sen. Hillyard absent for the vote.

S.B. 31 Classroom Size Amendments (*Sen. K. Morgan*)

Sen. Morgan introduced and explained the bill.

Spoke against the bill: Peter Cannon, Member (speaking for himself), Davis School
 District Board of Education
 Ron Mortensen, Citizen
 Judi Clark, Executive Director, Parents for Choice in Education
 Chase Everton, Utah Taxpayers Association

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Spoke for the bill: Larry Shumway, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
 Kory Holdaway, Director of Government Relations, Utah
 Education Association
 Janis Dubno, Voices for Utah Children
 Aleta Taylor, Citizen

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hillyard absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Osmond adjourned the meeting at 4:36 pm.

Minutes were reported by Wendy Hill, Secretary.

Sen. Aaron Osmond