

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**
Room 30, House Building
March 5, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair
Rep. Lowry Snow, Vice Chair
Rep. Patrice M. Arent
Rep. Rich Cunningham
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Greg H. Hughes
Rep. Bradley G. Last
Rep. David Lifferth
Rep. Dan McCay
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Jim Nielson
Rep. Val Peterson
Rep. Marie H. Poulson
Rep. Kraig Powell
Rep. Keven Stratton

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Rep. Dean T. Sanpei

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

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

Vice Chair Snow called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Cunningham moved to approve the minutes of March 1, 2013. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hughes, Rep. McCay, Rep. Moss, and Rep. Stratton absent for the vote.

H.B. 343 Textbook Purchasing Amendments (*Rep. J. Anderegg*)

Rep. Anderegg introduced the bill which places restrictions on the use of paper textbooks in certain situations.

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to substitute **H.B. 343** with **1st Substitute H.B. 343**. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes and Rep. McCay absent for the vote.

Dr. Patti Harrington, Utah School Superintendents Association, commented on the bill.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Mr. Jay Blaine, Utah Education Association
Mr. Peter Cannon, speaking for himself

Vice Chair Snow relinquished the chair to Rep. Powell.

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to hold the bill. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Gibson, Rep. Snow, and Rep. Stratton absent for the vote.

H.B. 393 Competency-based Education Amendments (*Rep. G. Hughes*)

Rep. Hughes introduced the bill which amends provisions related to competency-based education.

Dr. Martell Menlove, State Superintendent, commented on the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Mr. Peter Cannon, speaking for himself
Mr. Brian Allen, citizen

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to hold the bill and place it on the top of the next agenda.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Last moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Arent, Rep. Lifferth, Rep. Moss, Rep. Poulson, and Rep. Powell voting in opposition to the motion. Rep. Gibson, Rep. Nielson, Rep. Snow, and Rep. Stratton were absent for the vote.

H.B. 318 Classroom Size Revisions (*Rep. R. Edwards*)

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to substitute **H.B. 318** with **1st Substitute 318**. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Gibson, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Snow, and Rep. Stratton absent for the vote.

Rep. Edwards introduced the bill which imposes requirements pertaining to class size.

Dr. Martell Menlove, State Superintendent, commented on the bill.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Dr. Patti Harrington, Utah School Superintendents Association
Mr. Peter Cannon, speaking for himself

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Last and Rep. Nielson voting in opposition to the motion. Rep. Gibson, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Snow, and Rep. Stratton were absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Gibson, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Snow, and Rep. Stratton being absent for the vote. Rep. Powell adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair