

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
WORKFORCE SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 25 House Building

February 25, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Becky Edwards, Chair
Rep. Rich Cunningham, Vice Chair
Rep. Jim Bird
Rep. Richard Greenwood
Rep. Lynn Hemingway
Rep. Brad Last
Rep. Ronda Rudd Menlove
Rep. Merrill Nelson
Rep. Curt Oda
Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. Brad Wilson

STAFF PRESENT: Ben Christensen, Policy Analyst
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Edwards called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Wilson moved to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2013 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Greenwood, Rep. Last, and Rep. Oda absent for the vote.

H.B. 209 Public Assistance Restrictions (*Rep. D. Brown*)

MOTION: Rep. Nelson moved to replace **1st Substitute H.B. 209** with **2nd Substitute H.B. 209**. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Greenwood, Rep. Last, and Rep. Oda absent for the vote.

Rep. Brown introduced the bill with the assistance of Mr. Geoff Landward, Department of Workforce Services.

MOTION: Rep. Wilson moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 139 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Action Center (*Rep. V. Peterson*)

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to replace **H.B. 139** with **1st Substitute H.B. 139**. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Peterson introduced the bill.

Ms. Angela Stallings, Office of Legislative Research, spoke to the bill and responded to questions from committee members.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Mr. Dave Buhler, Commissioner, Utah System of Higher Education
Mr. Chet Linton, School Improvement Network
Mr. Tom Nedreberg, Utah Education Association
Mr. Mark Bouchard, Chairman, Prosperity 2020
Mr. Kimball Thomson, Bio Utah
Mr. Ted Hoy, AtTask
Ms. JoDee Sundberg, Utah School Boards Association
Mr. Jack Sunderlage, Utah Technology Council
Mr. Stan Lockhart, private sector chair of the Governor's Education Excellence

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Mr. Peter Cannon, Davis County School Board member speaking on behalf of himself, said he was in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Edwards relinquished the chair to Vice Chair Cunningham.

H.B. 332 Alternate Dispute Resolution Amendments (*Rep. R. Edwards*)

Rep. Edwards introduced the bill assisted by Mr. Craig Hughes, Citizens of Utah.

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

MOTION: Rep. Bird moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Wilson absent for the vote. Vice Chair Cunningham adjourned the meeting at 9:52 a.m.