

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE**
Room 30, House Building
February 11, 2014

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. Dean T. Sanpei

Members Absent: Rep. Keven Stratton

Staff Present Ms. Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst
Ms. Linda Service, Committee Secretary

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

Chair Gibson called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes, Rep. Last, and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

H.B. 81 Parental Review of Statewide Summative Test Questions (Rep. M. Kennedy)

Rep. Kennedy explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 2, Lines 43 through 44:

- 43 (3) The State Board of Education shall allow a parent or guardian access to
summative
44 test questions ∴

(a) at least 90 days before the test is administered { } ; and
(b) in the same manner and under the same conditions that test questions are
reviewed by the committee established under Section 53A-1-603.

The motion pass unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hughes, Rep. McCay, Rep. Nielson, Rep. Poulson, Rep. Sanpei, and Rep. Snow absent for the vote.

Spoke to the bill: Dr. Martell Menlove, State School Superintendent
Dr. Judy Park, Associate Superintendent, State Office of
Education
Sarah Jones, Utah Education Association
Spoke for the bill: Jared Carman, citizen
Spoke against the bill: LeAnn Wood, citizen

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion passed with Rep. Arent, Rep. Last, Rep. Moss, Rep. Nielson, and Rep. Poulson voting against the bill.

H.B. 249 Grants for Digital Textbooks (Rep. J. Anderegg)

Rep. Anderegg explained the bill.

Spoke to the bill: Dr. Martell Menlove
Sarah Jones
Spoke against the bill: Alisa Ellis, citizen
Peter Cannon, citizen

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Arent, Rep. Moss, Rep. Nielson, Rep. Poulson, and Rep. Powell voting against the bill.

Vice Chair Snow assumed the chair.

H.B. 221 School Community Council Revisions (Rep. R. Cunningham)

MOTION: Rep. Cunningham moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 1, Lines 12 through 13:
 - 12 ▶ changes the deadline for an election for the parent or guardian members of a school

13 community council ~~{to September 20}~~ ;

2. Page 4, Line 119 through Page 5, Line 121:

119 (B) An election for the parent or guardian members of a school community council
120 shall be held near the beginning of the school year ~~{and completed before {October~~
~~15}~~
121 September 20} or held in the spring and completed before the last week of school.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes, Rep. Moss, and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

Rep. Cunningham explained the bill.

Spoke to the bill: Tim Donaldson, School Children's Trust Section, State Office of Education
Patty Harrington, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association
Ben Horsley, Director, Communications and Community Outreach,
Granite School District
Susan Edwards, citizen
Spoke for the bill: Tracy Miller, Utah P.T.A.
Peter Cannon, citizen
Jennifer Johnson, citizen

MOTION: Rep. Arent moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes, Rep. Last, and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

H.B. 239 Front-line Teachers Data Program (Rep. J. Nielson)

Rep. Nielson explained the bill.

Spoke to the bill: Dr. Martell Menlove

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Last, Rep. Moss, and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

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MOTION: Rep. Peterson moved to adjourn. Chair Snow adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m. with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Last, Rep Moss, and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair