MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION
STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 30, House Building
February 28, 2014

Members Present:  Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair
Rep. Lowry Snow, Vice Chair
Rep. Rich Cunningham
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Greg H. Hughes
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. Patrice Arent
Rep. Bradley G. Last
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 8:05 a.m.


H.B. 150  Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Amendments (Rep. V. Peterson)

Rep. Peterson explained the bill, assisted by Stan Lockhart, Chairman, Prosperity 2020 STEM Education Initiative. Mr. Lockhart presented a video.

Spoke to the bill: Dr. Martell Menlove, State Superintendent

Spoke for the bill: Jackie deGaston, citizen
Jeff Nelson, Nelson Laboratories and Chairman, STEM Action Center
Jordan Beseiso, parent
Adam Beseiso, student
Alex Beseiso, student
Richard Nelson, Utah Technology Council, who passed out a handout, "2014 Hottest 50 STEM Jobs in Utah"
Tami Goetz, STEM Action Center
Craig Frank, Early College Alliance
Robert Brems, President, College of Applied Technology
Brett Nelson, STEM Action Center


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

1. Page 3, Lines 60 through 65:

   60 (b) imposing impact fees on new development to mitigate the cost of new school buildings;
   61 (c) equity for taxpayers throughout the state in paying for public education;
   62 (d) alternatives for enhancing funding for public education;
   63 (e) indexing state funding for public education to the funding of other states; and
   64 (f) linking funding to outcomes in public education.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Peterson absent for the vote.

Spoke for the bill: Patti Harrington, Utah School Boards Association and Utah School Superintendents Association
Chris Bleak, Utah Association of Public Charter Schools


**H.B. 153 Study on Contribution and Credit for Education Funding (Rep. K. Christofferson)**

Rep. Christofferson explained the bill, assisted by Dean Duncan, CPA.


**MOTION:** Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Gibson adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.