

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE**
Room 30, House Building
February 2, 2015

Members Present: Rep. Brad G. Last, Chair
Rep. V. Lowry Snow, Vice Chair
Rep. LaVar Christensen
Rep. Kim Coleman
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Justin L. Fawson
Rep. Francis D. Gibson
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings
Rep. David E. Lifferth
Rep. Daniel McCay
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Mike E. Noel
Rep. Marie H. Poulson

Members Excused: Rep. Greg H. Hughes

Staff Present: Ms. Tiffany Stanley, Policy Analyst
Ms. 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 2:08 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2015 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Gibson, Rep. Hutchings, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

H.B. 54 Public Education Increased Funding Program (*Rep. J. Draxler*)

Rep. Draxler explained the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to replace H.B. 54 with 1st Sub. H.B. 54. The motion passed with Rep. Fawson, and Rep. McCay, voting in opposition. Rep. Gibson and Rep. Hutchings were absent for the vote.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Steve Norton, Superintendent, Cache County School District
Ms. Deon Turley, Utah P.T.A.
Mr. Zane Woolstenhulme, Utah State Superintendents Association
and Utah School Boards Association

Spoke against the bill: Mr. Peter Cannon, Utah Eagle Forum
Mr. Billy Hesterman, Utah Taxpayers Association
Mr. Mark Terran, Salt Lake City resident

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Brad C. Smith, Superintendent, Utah State Board of Education
Dr. Sarah Jones, Utah Education Association
Ms. Sydnee Dixon, Deputy Superintendent, Utah State Office of Education

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion failed with Rep. Moss and Rep. Poulson voting in favor of the motion.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Vice Chair Snow adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Rep. Brad Last, Chair