

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 30, House Building

February 12, 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. David E. Lifferth
Rep. Daniel McCay
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. Michael E. Noel
Rep. Marie H. Poulson

Members Excused: Rep. Gregory H. Hughes

Members Absent: Rep. Eric K. Hutchings

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 3:58 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Fawson moved to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2015 and February 9, 2015 meetings. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Lifferth, Rep. McCay, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

H.B. 198 Strengthening College and Career Readiness (*Rep. P. Arent*)

Rep. Arent explained the bill to the committee, assisted by Ms. Lillian Tsosie-Jensen, Comprehensive Counseling and Guidance, Utah State Office of Education.

Spoke for the bill: Ms. Tami Pyfer, Governor's Office
Mr. Richard Nelson, President and CEO, Utah Technology Council
Ms. Holly Todd, President, Utah School Counselor Association
Ms. Melissa Kincart, Utah State System of Higher Education
Mr. David Doty, Education First/Prosperity 2020
Ms. Liz Zentner, President, Utah PTA
Ms. JoDee Sundberg, Utah School Boards Association

Spoke against the bill: Mr. Peter Cannon, citizen

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 118 Public Education Human Resource Management Act Revisions (*Rep. B. Last*)

Rep. Last explained the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to replace H.B. 118 with 1st Sub. H.B. 118. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Lisa Nentl-Bloom, Organizing Specialist, Utah Education Association, spoke for the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Noel moved to pass 1st Sub. H.B. 118 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 203 Teacher Salary Supplement Program Amendments (*Rep. B. Last*)

Rep. Last explained the bill to the committee, assisted by Mr. Travis Rawlings, Utah State Office of Education.

Mr. John Tripp, Early College High School, spoke for the bill.

Mr. Peter Cannon, citizen, spoke against the bill.

Ms. Heather Gardner, teacher and parent, spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Fawson and Rep. McCay voting against the motion. Rep. Christensen was absent for the vote.

H.B. 210 Early College High Schools (*Rep. V. Peterson*)

Rep. Peterson explained the bill to the committee, assisted by Mr. Craig Frank, Early College Alliance, and distributed the handout "eca, Early College Alliance."

Ms. Robyn Bagley, Career Path High, spoke against the bill.

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

1. Page 1, Lines 23 through 24:

23 ~~{AMENDS:~~
24 ~~— 53A-17a-113, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 3 }~~

2. *Page 3, Line 69 through Page 5, Line 131:*

69 ~~{Section 4. Section 53A-17a-113 is amended to read:~~
70 ~~— 53A-17a-113. Weighted pupil units for career and technical education~~
71 ~~programs~~
72 ~~= Funding of approved programs = Performance measures = Qualifying criteria:~~
73 ~~— (1) (a) Money appropriated to the State Board of Education for approved~~
74 ~~career and~~
75 ~~technical education programs and the comprehensive guidance program:~~
76 ~~— (i) shall be allocated to eligible recipients as provided in Subsections (2), (3),~~
77 ~~(4), and~~
78 ~~(5); and~~
79 ~~— (ii) may not be used to fund programs below the ninth grade level:~~
80 ~~— (b) Subsection (1)(a)(ii) does not apply to the following programs:~~
81 ~~— (i) comprehensive guidance;~~
82 ~~— (ii) Technology-Life-Careers; and~~
83 ~~— (iii) work-based learning programs:~~
84 ~~— (2) (a) Weighted pupil units are computed for pupils in approved programs.~~
85 ~~— (b) (i) The board shall fund approved programs based upon hours of~~
86 ~~membership of~~
87 ~~9th through 12th grade students.~~
88 ~~— (ii) Subsection (2)(b)(i) does not apply to the following programs:~~
89 ~~— (A) comprehensive guidance;~~
90 ~~— (B) Technology-Life-Careers; and~~
91 ~~— (C) work-based learning programs:~~
92 ~~— (c) The board shall use an amount not to exceed 20% of the total appropriation~~
93 ~~under~~
94 ~~this section to fund approved programs based on performance measures such as~~
95 ~~placement and~~
96 ~~competency attainment defined in standards set by the board.~~
97 ~~— (d) Leadership organization funds shall constitute an amount not to exceed 1%~~
98 ~~of the~~
99 ~~total appropriation under this section, and shall be distributed to each local~~

~~educational agency~~
93 ~~sponsoring career and technical education student leadership organizations based on~~
~~the~~
94 ~~agency's share of the state's total membership in those organizations:~~
95 ~~—(e) The board shall make the necessary calculations for distribution of the~~
96 ~~appropriation to school districts and may revise and recommend changes necessary~~
~~for~~
97 ~~achieving equity and ease of administration:~~
98 ~~—(3) (a) Twenty weighted pupil units shall be computed for career and technical~~
99 ~~education administrative costs for each district, except 25 weighted pupil units may~~
100 ~~be~~
101 ~~computed for each district that consolidates career and technical education~~
~~administrative~~
102 ~~services with one or more other districts:~~
103 ~~—(b) Between 10 and 25 weighted pupil units shall be computed for each high~~
~~school~~
104 ~~conducting approved career and technical education programs in a district~~
~~according to~~
105 ~~standards established by the board:~~
106 ~~—(c) Forty weighted pupil units shall be computed for each district that operates~~
~~an~~
107 ~~approved career and technical education center:~~
108 ~~—(d) Between five and seven weighted pupil units shall be computed for each~~
~~summer~~
109 ~~career and technical education agriculture program according to standards~~
~~established by the~~
110 ~~board:~~
111 ~~—(e) Ten weighted pupil units shall be computed for an early college high school,~~
~~as~~
112 ~~defined in Section 53A-1a-1102, that conducts approved programs in only one career~~
~~and~~
113 ~~technical education area.~~
114 ~~—[(e)] (f) The board shall, by rule, establish qualifying criteria for districts to~~
~~receive~~
115 ~~weighted pupil units under this Subsection (3):~~

115 ~~—(4) (a) Money remaining after the allocations made under Subsections (2) and~~
116 ~~(3) shall~~
117 ~~be allocated using average daily membership in approved programs for the previous~~
118 ~~year.~~
119 ~~—(b) A district that has experienced student growth in grades 9 through 12 for~~
120 ~~the~~
121 ~~previous year shall have the growth factor applied to the previous year's weighted~~
122 ~~pupil units~~
123 ~~when calculating the allocation of money under this Subsection (4).~~
124 ~~—(5) Of the money allocated to comprehensive guidance programs pursuant to~~
125 ~~board~~
126 ~~rules, \$1,000,000 in grants shall be awarded to school districts or charter schools~~
127 ~~that:~~
128 ~~—(a) provide an equal amount of matching funds; and~~
129 ~~—(b) do not supplant other funds used for comprehensive guidance programs.~~
130 ~~—(6) (a) The board shall establish rules for the upgrading of high school career~~
131 ~~and~~
132 ~~technical education programs.~~
133 ~~—(b) The rules shall reflect career and technical training and actual marketable~~
134 ~~job skills~~
135 ~~in society.~~
136 ~~—(c) The rules shall include procedures to assist school districts to convert~~
137 ~~existing~~
138 ~~programs which are not preparing students for the job market into programs that~~
139 ~~will~~
140 ~~accomplish that purpose.~~
141 ~~—(7) Programs that do not meet board standards may not be funded under this~~
142 ~~section. }~~

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

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

1. Page 3, Line 61:

61 (2) Up to ~~{two and one-half}~~ three of the subject-specific credit hour
graduation requirements

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

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

1. *Page 1, Lines 12 through 17:*

- 12 This bill:
- 13 ▶ defines terms; **and**
- 14 ▶ exempts an early college high school from certain rules established by the State
- 15 Board of Education {~~;~~**and**} **;**
- 16 {~~→~~**→ provides that a certain amount of weighted pupil units be computed**
- 17 **for early college**
- 17 **high schools that conduct approved programs in only one technical education**
- 17 **area.**}

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

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

1. *Page 2, Lines 54 through 55:*

- 54 (g) Utah Valley University; {~~or~~}
- 55 (h) Salt Lake Community College {~~.~~} **;** **or**
- 55 **(i) Utah College of Applied Technology.**

MOTION: Rep. Last moved to adjourn. The motion passed with Rep. Lifferth and Rep. Noel voting against the motion. Vice Chair Snow adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with Rep. Coleman, Rep. Eliason, and Rep. Gibson absent for the vote.

