

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 30, House Building

February 16, 2016

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

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.

Chair Last called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2016 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Fawson, Rep. Lifferth, Rep. McCay, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Snow absent for the vote.

S.C.R. 3 Concurrent Resolution Supporting American Indian and Alaskan Native Education State Plan (*Sen. K. Van Tassell*) (Rep. J. Draxler)

Rep. Draxler explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Lifferth, Rep. McCay, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Snow absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to place S.C.R. 3 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Lifferth, Rep. McCay, Rep. Noel, and Rep. Snow absent for the vote.

S.B. 78 State Board of Education Candidate Selection (*Sen. A. Millner*) (Rep. B. Last**)**

Sen. Millner explained the bill.

Spoke for the bill:

Mr. Charles Evans, Canyons School District
Mr. Royce Van Tassell, Association of Public Charter Schools

Spoke against the bill:

Ms. Jacey Skinner, General Counsel, Office of the Governor
Ms. LeAnn Wood, Utah PTA
Mr. David Williams, parent

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to hold the bill. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Lifferth, Rep. McCay, Rep. Moss, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

H.B. 164 Educational Testing Amendments (*Rep. K. Powell*)

Rep. Powell explained the bill with the assistance of Ms. Michelle Jones, math teacher, Granite School District, Mr. Richard Nye, Associate Superintendent, Utah State Office of Education, and Dr. Sydnee Dickson, Acting State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Spoke to the bill:

Mr. Brad Asay, American Federation of Teachers
Mr. Hal Sanderson, Canyons School District

Spoke against the bill:

Mr. Scott McIntyre, parent
Ms. Heather Gardner, parent
Ms. Amber Martin, parent
Ms. Pamela Budge, parent
Ms. Wendy Hart, parent
Ms. Jennie Earl, parent
Ms. Melissa Butler, parent
Ms. Julie King, parent
Mr. Mike Brown, parent
Mr. David Williams

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to replace H.B. 164 with 1st Sub. H.B. 164. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hutchings, Rep. McCay, and Rep. Moss absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Cutler moved to pass 1st Sub. H.B. 164 out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. *Page 3, Lines 82 through 87:*

82 (f) providing that scores on the tests and assessments required under Subsection
(2)(a)

83 and Subsection (3) may [~~not~~] be considered in determining {~~;~~

84 ~~(i)~~} a student's academic grade for the appropriate course {~~;~~or

85 ~~(ii) whether a student may advance to the next grade level.~~ ;

86 (5) (a) A school district or charter school, as applicable, is encouraged to administer
an

87 online writing assessment to students in grade 11.

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

MOTION: Rep. Cutler moved to pass 1st Sub. H.B. 164 out favorably. The motion failed with Rep. Cutler, Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hutchings, Rep. Last, Rep. Poulson, and Rep. Snow voting in favor of the motion. Rep. Moss was absent for the vote.

H.B. 200 Student Assessment Modifications (Rep. M. Poulson)

Rep. Poulson explained the bill with the assistance of Mr. Richard Nye, Associate Superintendent, Utah State Office of Education.

Spoke for the bill:

Mr. Brad Asay

Dr. Steve Hirase, Superintendent, Murray School District

Mr. Hal Sanderson

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Rep. Hutchings and Rep. Last voting against the motion. Rep. Christensen, Rep. McCay, and Rep. Noel were absent for the vote.

**H.B. 216 Utah Educational Savings Plan Amendments (Rep. S. Barlow)
Savings Plan (Sen. E. Vickers) (Rep. J. Stanard)**

Rep. Barlow explained the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with

Rep. Christensen, Rep. Eliason, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Lifferth moved to place H.B. 216 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Christensen, Rep. Eliason, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote.

**S.C.R. 6 Concurrent Resolution Recognizing the 20th Anniversary of the Utah
Educational Savings Plan (*E. Vickers*)**

S.C.R. 6 was not considered.

MOTION: Rep. McCay moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Christensen, Rep. Eliason, and Rep. Noel absent for the vote. Chair Last adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Rep. Brad Last, Chair