

**MINUTES OF THE  
HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**  
20 House Building, Utah State Capitol Complex  
February 18, 2016

**Members Present:** Rep. Kay L. McIff, Chair  
Rep. Robert M. Spendlove, Vice Chair  
Rep. Stewart E. Barlow  
Rep. Melvin R. Brown  
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck  
Rep. Craig Hall  
Rep. Sandra Hollins  
Rep. Michael S. Kennedy  
Rep. Paul Ray  
Rep. Edward H. Redd  
Rep. Norman J. Thurston  
Rep. Raymond P. Ward

**Staff Present:** Mr. Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Linda Black, House Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes

Vice Chair Spendlove called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. McIff moved to approve the minutes of February 11, 2016. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Barlow absent for the vote.

**H.B. 221 Immunization of Students Amendments (*Rep. C. Moss*)**

Rep. Moss explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to amend the bill as follows:

1. *Page 1, Lines 21 through 24:*

21 *an immunization exemption form;*

22       ▶ *requires an individual who attends a new school to renew an immunization exemption ~~{annually}~~ at the*

23 *individual's new school;*

24       ▶ *requires a school to maintain a list of students who have not received required*

2. *Page 4, Line 119 through Page 5, Line 122:*

119 *following]:*

120       ~~[(a)]~~ *(1) for an exemption for a medical reason, {at the beginning of each*

- school year  
121 that a student is exempt} the first time the student requests the exemption and each  
time the student attends a new school ;
- 122 (a) a certificate from a licensed [~~physician~~] health care provider stating that due to  
the
3. Page 5, Lines 140 through 144:
- 140 (2) for an exemption for a personal or religious belief:  
141 (a) for the first {year} time a student intends to receive an exemption, an  
immunization  
142 exemption form described in Section 53A-11-302.5; or  
143 (b) {~~for a year other than the first year that a student receives an~~  
exemption} for a student who has already received an exemption under Subsection  
(2)(a), each time the student attends a new school , a certificate  
144 of completion for the online education module described in Section 53A-11-302.5.
4. Page 5, Lines 146 through 148:
- 146 53A-11-302.5. Immunization exemption form -- Online education module --  
147 {~~Annual~~} Renewal requirement.  
148 (1) The department shall:
5. Page 6, Lines 152 through 155:
- 152 module described in Subsection (2);  
153 (iii) indicates that if a student who has an immunization exemption form  
attends a new school, the student is required to  
154 renew the exemption {~~each year~~} at the student's new school;  
155 (iv) states the department's position regarding the benefits of immunization:
6. Page 7, Line 184 through Page 8, Line 210:
- 184 (ii) is an individual described in Subsection (1)(a)(vi); and  
185 (iii) {~~presents~~} provides a certificate of completion for the online  
education module described in  
186 Subsection (2).  
187 (b) A local health department may not issue an immunization exemption form to an

188 individual who does not present a certificate of completion for the online education  
module

189 described in Subsection (2).

190 (c) An individual who is eligible to sign an immunization exemption form for  
multiple

191 students may present a single certificate of completion described in Subsection (2) to  
receive an

192 immunization exemption form for each student.

(d) A local health department may provide for an individual to receive an  
immunization exemption form without visiting the local health department in person  
by, on the local health department's website:

(i) accepting a certificate of completion for the online education module; and  
(ii) in accordance with Subsection (3)(a), providing an immunization exemption  
form.

193 (4) (a) An immunization exemption form accepted by a school is valid {for one  
full

194 school year} as long as the student attends the school .

195 (b) {In a year after the first year that a school accepts an immunization  
exemption form

196 for a student, in order to} For a student who attends a new school, to renew the  
exemption, the student's parent or legal guardian shall:

197 (i) complete the online education module described in Subsection (2); and

198 (ii) present the certificate of completion described in Subsection (2) directly to the  
199 student's new school.

200 (c) An LEA may not charge a fee to renew an immunization exemption form.

201 {(d) A student who is exempt from immunization requirements and transfers to  
or

202 enrolls in a different school may renew the exemption at the new school, as described  
in

203 Subsection (4)(b), if the student's previous school confirms that the student has an  
exemption

204 from immunization.} (d) For a student who renews an exemption at a new school,  
the new school shall confirm with the student's previous school that the student has an  
exemption from immunization.

205            (5) A student who has an immunization exemption for a personal or religious belief  
                 for  
206            the 2016-2017 school year or earlier:  
207            (a) is not required to obtain a new immunization exemption form from a local health  
208            department; and  
209            (b) shall renew the exemption {~~each year~~} if the student attends a new  
                 school, as described in Subsection (4).  
210            Section 6. Section 53A-11-303 is amended to read:

The motion passed unanimously.

Spoke for the bill:            Kim Lowe, School Nurses of Utah  
   Lacey Eden

Spoke against the bill:      Kristen Chevrier  
   Gayle Ruzika, Utah Eagle Forum

**MOTION:**            Rep. Kennedy moved to return H.B. 221 to the House Rules Committee for interim study.

**SUBSTITUTE**

**MOTION:**            Rep. Ray moved to hold the bill, as amended, with the understanding that the chairs will put the bill on the agenda for the committee's next meeting and consider amendments to the bill. The motion passed with Rep. Barlow, Rep. Chavez-Houck, Rep. Hollins, Rep. Kennedy, and Rep. Thurston voting in opposition. Rep. Brown was absent for the vote.

**1st Substitute S.B. 50    Health Code Repealer (Sen. E. Vickers)**

Sen. Vickers explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:**            Rep. Barlow moved to pass S.B. 50 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

**MOTION:**            Rep. Barlow moved to place S.B. 50 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

**H.B. 295 Obesity Report (Rep. E. Hutchings)**

Rep. Hutchings explained H.B. 295 to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ray moved to pass the H.B. 295 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ray moved to place H.B. 295 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

**H.B. 259 Substance Abuse Treatment Fraud (Rep. E. Hutchings)**

Rep. Hutchings explained H.B. 259 to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ray moved to replace H.B. 259 with 1st Substitute H.B. 259. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

Spoke to the bill: Diane Moore, Office of Licensing, Department of Human Services

Spoke for the bill: Adam Cohen Odyssey House  
Steve Foxley Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Utah  
Todd Kiser Utah Insurance Commissioner  
Michael Moody Valley Behavioral Health

**MOTION:** Rep. Ray moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 259 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown, Rep. Redd, and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

**H.B. 247 Medicaid Vision Amendments (Rep. P. Ray)**

Rep. Ray explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Barlow moved to pass H.B. 247 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown, Rep. Redd, and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Barlow moved to place H.B. 247 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown, Rep. Redd, and Rep.

Thurston absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Chavez-Houck moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Brown, Rep. Redd, and Rep. Thurston absent for the vote

Vice Chair Spendlove adjourned the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

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Kay L. McIff, Chair