

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE
ROOM 415, STATE CAPITOL
FEBRUARY 2, 2012**

Members Present: Sen. Aaron Osmond, Chair
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. Karen W. Morgan
Sen. Wayne L. Niederhauser
Sen. Jerry Stevenson
Sen. Daniel Thatcher

Members Excused: Sen. Howard A. Stephenson

Staff Present: Ms. Allison Nicholson, Policy Analyst
Ms. Wendy Hill, Secretary

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

Chair Osmond called the meeting to order at 2:14 pm.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Stevenson moved to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2012 meeting. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Morgan and Sen. Niederhauser absent for the vote.

S.B. 152 Charter School Financing (*Sen. J. Valentine*)

Sen. Valentine introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to amend the bill as follows.

1. Page 10, Line 290:

290 (e) any other criteria the authority determines { ~~is~~ are relevant.

2. Page 11, Lines 309 through 315:

309 reserve fund requirement if ~~the money is withdrawn for the purpose of~~ :

310 (i) { ~~the money is withdrawn for the purpose of~~ paying the principal of,
redemption price

311 of, or interest on a bond when due and if no other money of the qualifying charter school is
312 available to make the payment, as determined by the authority; or

313 (ii) { ~~the payment of~~ paying any redemption premium required to be paid when
the bonds are

314 redeemed prior to maturity if no bonds will remain outstanding upon payment from the funds
315 in the qualifying charter school's debt service reserve fund.

Spoke to the bill: Mr. Ryan R. Warburton, Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP
Mr. David Damschen, Chief Deputy, Utah State Treasurer's Office
Mr. Kory Holdaway, Government Relations Director, Utah Education Association

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Chris Bleak, President, Utah Association of Public Charter Schools

MOTION: Sen. Hillyard moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 53S01 Utah Education Network Amendments (R. Menlove)

Sen. Menlove introduced and explained the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Dave Buhler, Associate Commissioner, Utah System of Higher Education
Ms. Brenda Hales, Associate Superintendent, Utah State Office of Education

MOTION: Sen. Thatcher moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Morgan absent for the vote.

H.B. 60 Proceeds from Federal Grants for Miners' Hospital (C. Watkins)

Sen. Watkins introduced and explained the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Mr. Louis Fazio, Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities

MOTION: Sen. Stevenson moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Morgan absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Niederhauser moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Osmond adjourned the meeting at 3:15 pm.

Minutes were reported by Wendy Hill, Secretary.