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## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Clay Aurand at 9:00 AM on Thursday, February 9, 2012 in 784-DSOB.

All members were present except:  
Pat Colloton, excused

Committee staff present:

Jan Johnston, Committee Assistant  
Sharon Wenger, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Reagan Cussimano, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Eunice C. Peters, Kansas Revisor of Statutes  
Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner, Kansas State Department of Education

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Dr. George Griffith, USD 208  
Mark Desetti, KNEA  
Peg Dunlap, KNEA  
Mark Tallman, Kansas Association of School Boards  
Jon Hummell, Operations Director, Governor's Office

Written testimony only:

Cheryl Semmel, United School Administrators of Kansas

Others in attendance:

See attached list.

Dale Dennis, Deputy Commission of Education provided the committee with items requested on February 8, 2012. 1) Career Cluster description; 2) Numbers of students in vocational education courses in Kansas high school. (Attachment 1)

### **HB 2634 - Excellence in education; teacher certification; school employee performance and evaluation; professional development**

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Chairman Aurand opened the hearing on **HB 2634**.

Eunice Peters, Office of Revisor of Statutes, gave an overview of **HB 2634** to Committee members. (Attachment 2)

Jon Hummell, Director of Operations, Office of the Governor, presented to the committee as a proponent. (Attachment 3)

A question and answer session followed.

Dr. George Griffith, Superintendent Trego County USD 208, presented to the committee as a proponent. (Attachment 4)

A question and answer session followed.

Mark Desetti, KNEA, presented to the committee as a proponent. (Attachment 5) Mr. Desetti provided a computer printout of a survey. (Attachment 6)

Peg Dunlap, KNEA, presented to the committee as a proponent. (Attachment 7)

A question and answer session followed.

Mark Tallman, Kansas Association of School Boards, presented to the committee as neutral. (Attachment 8)

A question and answer session followed.

Cheryl Semmel, United School Administration of Kansas, provided written testimony only. (Attachment 9)

Chairman Aurand closed the hearing on **HB 2634**.

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Chairman Aurand asked by way of hands if the committee would like to work the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Retention Bill. Seven were in favor and seven were opposed. The lack of majority led the Chairman to announce that we would not work the bill.

Chairman Aurand told the Committee that next Tuesday we would have a speaker on Teacher Quality.

Chairman Aurand told the Committee that we will work Bills tomorrow depending on what time we go on the floor. He will announce it on the floor.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am. The next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2012.