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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION BUDGET COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lana Gordon at 3:30 on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 in room 159-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Reagan Cussimano-KLDR
Jason Long-KLDR
Daniel Yoza-Revisor
Eunice Peters-Revisor
Shirley Murrow-KLRD
Edw. Balda-Committee Assistant

Others in attendance: see attached list

HB2766 Creating the creative arts industries commission; abolishing the arts commission and the film commission.

HB 2767–Schools; authorizing a tax credit to be used for educational scholarships

HB 2645–Personal financial literacy program as a requirement for high school graduation

HB 2397–Adequacy of state provision for finance of educational interests of the state

SB 28–House Substitute for Senate Bill 28 by Education Budget Committee -- Adequacy of state provision for finance of educational interests of the state

Chairman Gordon welcomed the members and audience. She addressed the **HB2766**. Daniel Yoza was called upon to give a review of the bill which included a balloon (Attachment 1). Reviewed again was the fact that this bill was drafted somewhat from a similar bill used in Colorado. Reasoning for removing the “humanities” label was explained. *Chairman Gordon made motion to adopt the balloon*. The motion *was seconded by Representative Aurand*, there was no discussion, a vote was taken and *the motion carried*. *Representative Cassidy moved to pass the bill out*. *Representative Aurand seconded the motion and* there was no discussion. A vote was taken and *the motion to pass out **HB2766** was carried*. Michael Steiner of the Department of Commerce and Budget advised that the Ways and Means Committee has deferred the action of the FTE for this particular commission until Omnibus.

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Chairman Gordon gave strong approval of the passing of this bill and appreciated the other member's support.

The Committee then addressed the **HB2767**.

Representative Aurand then presented his proposed list of six amendments (Attachment 2). He first moved to pass his first amendment regarding technical amendments. This was seconded by Representative Cassidy. There was no discussion, a vote was taken and the amendment carried.

Representative Aurand made motion to pass his second amendment regarding clarification for procedures for educational scholarships awarded to prior recipients. There were questions and some discussion by Representative and revisor Eunice Peters. A vote was taken and the amendment carried.

Representative Aurand then moved that his third amendment regarding Non proficient pupil status be passed. This was seconded by Representative Landwehr, there was no discussion and the motion carried.

Representative Aurand moved that his fourth amendment regarding prorating amount, includes payment to public schools be passed. This motion was seconded by Representative Cassidy. Representatives Feuerborn, Winn and Chairman Gordon inquired as to where the money was held for these scholarships. A vote was taken, the motion carried.

Representative Aurand moved that his fifth amendment regarding "Kindergarten" eligible students be passed. Revisor Peters then reviewed this amendment and took questions. The motion was seconded by Representative O'Brien. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Representative Aurand made motion that his sixth amendment regarding certificate of eligibility be passed. This motion was seconded by Representative Landwehr. Revisor Peters reviewed the item regarding "certificate of eligibility. There were questions and much discussion. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Representative Aurand made a motion stating that in any one year \$100,000 would be the maximum amount of any of the incentives. Representative Cassidy seconded the motion. There was brief discussion and a vote was then taken. The motion carried.

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Chairman Gordon then redirected the members back to the **HB 2767**. Representatives Spalding, Aurand, Cassidy and Winn discussed various issues of “parental choice”. Representative Aurand made motion to pass out **HB2767**. This was seconded by Representative Landwehr and the motion was carried.

There was brief discussion on **HB 2645**. Representative Aurand said that his House Education Committee had seen no interest in advancing the bill. None of the other members present initiated discussion of the bill and the committee moved forward to a discussion of **HB 2397**. Representative Aurand moved that **SB 28** be gutted and that **HB 2397** be inserted into it. This was seconded by Representative Landwehr. There were questions which Jason Long explained and reviewed. A vote was taken and the motion to gut **SB28** was passed.

Representative Aurand the made motion to insert the ballooned bill into **SB28**. This was seconded by Representative Cassidy, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Representative Spalding asked Mr. Long for details on KPI figures. He gave legal explanation.

Representative Aurand moved to pass out the substituted bill. Representative Cassidy seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was carried.

For the record, Representative Winn wanted it stated that she cast a no vote on **HB2397**.

The meeting was adjournment at approximately 5:10