

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clay Aurand at 9:00 A.M. on February 9, 2007 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Representative Benjamin Hodge- absent
Representative Ted Powers- excused

Committee staff present:
Sharon Wenger, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michele Alishahi, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ashley Holm, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes
Janet Henning, Committee Assistant

HB 2185 - Colleges & universities; in-state tuition and fees for persons who return to Kansas within five years.

Representative Mah moved the bill which would allow Kansas residents who move out of the state and then return within 60 months be considered state residents for tuition purposes at any of the state educational institutions under the control and supervision of the Kansas Board of Regents. The motion was seconded by Representative Horst.

Representative Loganbill requested the bill be amended which make it effective for academic years 2008/08, 2008/09, and 2009/10.

Representative Mah then moved that the bill be passed favorably as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Phelps and carried on a voice vote.

The Chairman appointed Representative Mah to carry the bill to the House floor at the appropriate time.

HB 2159 - School finance; enrollment; date of determination.

Representative Storm moved that HB 2159 be passed out favorably. Representative Horst seconded the motion which carried on a voice vote.

The Chairman appointed Representative Craft to carry the bill to the House floor at the appropriate time.

HB 2015 - School accreditation, student performance standards; implementation of federal education programs.

Representative Otto recommended and moved that the Committee accept the Sub-Committee's recommendation to introduce HB 2015 as a House Concurrent Resolution (HCR). The motion was seconded by Representative Horst and carried on a voice vote.

HB 2022 - School district board members; restrictions on school district work

Committee members decided not to work this bill at this time.

HB 2123 - School districts; transportation of students residing outside the district.

Representative Colloton moved that HB 2123 be passed out favorably. Representative Huebert seconded the motion which carried on a voice vote.

Representative Aurand will carry the bill to the House floor at the appropriate time.

HB 2092 - School districts; pupils who are nonresidents of the state.

The committee chose not to work this bill at this time.

HB 2093 - Special education service scholarship program; limit of number of scholarships awarded, deleted.

Representative Colloton moved to amend the bill to include gifted students and all exceptionalities as eligible for the special education service scholarships. The motion was seconded by Representative Spalding and carried on a voice vote.

Representative Colloton was asked to carry the bill to the House floor at the appropriate time.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 AM. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13, 2007.