

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE K-12.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kathe Decker at 9:00 a.m. on February 25, 2003 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Williams - absent

Committee staff present: Kathie Sparks, Legislative Research Department
Jill Wolters, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Ann Deitcher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Representative Dean Newton
Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner State Board of Ed
Mark Tallman, KASB

HB 2346 - Relating to classroom enhancements.

The Chair recognized Representative Newton who spoke to the committee in support of **HB 2346**. (Attachment 1).

Dale Dennis was called upon to explain use of the capital outlay fund.

Representative Hutchins appeared as a proponent of **HB 2346**. (Attachment 2).

Mark Tallman offered comments relative to **HB 2346**. (Attachment 3).

The hearing was closed on **HB 2346**.

HB 2256 - Studying feasibility of regional education districts.

The Chair called on Representative Mason who offered a proposed amendment to **HB 2256**. (Attachment 4).

Representative Mason suggested that a special joint sub-committee be formed to look into the issue of school consolidation. The committee could meet during the summer and fall of 2003.

It was moved by Representative Mason and seconded by Representative Craft that the Education Committee authorize the chair to draft a letter to the LCC requesting the formation of this sub-committee. The motion passed on a voice vote. Representative Phelps asked that his nay vote be recorded..

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HB 2231 - Relating to child care facilities.

Representative Peterson moved for the favorable passage by the committee of HB 2231. Representative Reardon seconded the motion.

Representative Flaharty asked for the deletion on page 1, lines 21, 22, 36, 37 and 38 in **HB 2231**. The motion to amend was seconded by Representative Storm and passed on a voice vote.

A motion was made by Representative DeCastro and seconded by Representative Lightner that HB 2231 be tabled at this time. The motion failed on a show of hands.

The committee voted to move HB 2231 favorably as amended out of committee. The motion passed on a show of hands.

HB 2339 - Relating to attendance.

Representative Storm offered an amendment to change the age on page 1, line 16 from seven to six as well as all other areas where the age is seven. The motion to amend HB 2339 was seconded by Representative Yonally and passed on a voice vote.

It was moved by Representative Storm and seconded by Representative Crow that HB 2339 be passed favorably out of committee as amended. The motion passed on a voice vote.

HB 2363 - Relating to the age of eligibility for school attendance.

A copy of Representative Eric Carter's proposed revisions to **HB 2363** was distributed. (Attachment 5).

HB 2363 failed consideration by the committee by lack of a motion.

HB 2194 - Disallowing the counting of certain pupils for purposes of computations under the school district finance and quality performance act.

A motion was made by Representative Mason and seconded by Representative Reardon to move HB 2194 favorably out of committee.

An amendment to **HB 2194** was offered by Representative Horst. (Attachment 6).

Representative Horst moved for this amendment to HB 2194. The motion to amend was seconded by Representative Mason and passed on a voice vote.

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Representative Peterson made the motion to table **HB 2194**. Representative Crow seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Representative Ostmeyer offered an amendment to **HB 2194**. (Attachment 7).

It was moved by Representative Ostmeyer and seconded by Representative Powell to amend **HB 2194**.

The meeting was recessed at 11:20 for the committee members could attend the meeting of the House.

The House Education Committee reconvened at the rail at 12:15 p.m.

The Chair appointed a sub-committee to study the issue of school consolidation. The members named were: Representatives, Crow, Horst, Mason, Ostmeyer and Reardon.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 6, 2003.