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Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Denise Apt at
Chairperson

3:30 ~~am~~/p.m. on February 23, 1988 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative JoAnn Pottorff, Excused

Committee staff present:

Avis Swartzman, Revisor of Statutes' Office
Ben Barrett, Legislative Research
Thelma Canaday, Secretary to the Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Apt.

Chairman Apt brought a request for a resolution from Representative Leach asking Congress to amend the definition of a school bus.

Representative Rick Bowden moved the committee introduce the resolution. Seconded by Representative Harder. Motion carried.

The chairman asked the committee to turn its attention to S.B. 525, the School Finance bill.

Representative Reardon moved to amend the SDEA to count as 0.5 fulltime equivalent in a school district's enrollment, three year old exceptional children (excluding gifted) who are being provided special education services by the district. Seconded by Representative Crumbaker.

Representative Reardon explained it has been documented that early intervention in learning problems results in a greater rate of success. Mr. Reardon also pointed out by implementing the program now there will be no loss of federal funds when the mandate goes into effect.

After a short discussion period a vote was taken and the motion to amend H.B. 2053 into S.B. 525 carried.

The meeting was adjourned by the chairman at 3:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 24, 1988 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 519-S.

