

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathe Decker at 9:00 A.M. on February 13, 2006 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Dale Swenson- excused

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research

Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office

Ann Deitcher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Rep. Sue Storm

Chiquita Coggs, Helping At-Risk Kids

Mark Tallman, KASB

Bob Vancrum, Blue Valley Schools

Kathy Cook, Ks Families United for Public Ed

Terry Forsyth, KNEA

Kathleen Wilson, Disability Rights Ctr. Of Kansas

Leslie Girard, Families Together, Inc.

Gerry Henderson

HB 2652 - Appeal of charter school denials to the State Board of Education.

The Chair introduced Chiquita Coggs who spoke to the Committee in support of **HB 2652**. (Attachment 1 and 2).

Next to appear was Mark Tallman who offered comments regarding his organization's opposition to **HB 2652**. (Attachment 3).

Bob Vancrum appeared in opposition of **HB 2652**. (Attachment 4).

Kathy Cook spoke to the Committee in opposition of **HB 2652**. (Attachment 5).

The hearing was closed on **HB 2652**.

HB 2712 - Special education for exceptional children act.

Representative Storm spoke to the Committee regarding **HB 2712**. (Attachment 6).

Mark Tallman appeared as a proponent of **HB 2712**. (Attachment 7).

Sharing the thoughts of his organization was Terry Forsyth. (Attachment 8).

Kathleen Wilson offered the testimony of Michael Donnelly in expressing their organization's concern with the addition of language ***including any substantial change in placement and any material change in services***. (Attachment 9).

Written only testimony in support of **HB 2712** was offered by Deb Haltom of Shawnee Mission Schools. (Attachment 10).

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Leslie Girard referred to certain sections of **HB 2712** that her organization was opposed to. (Attachment 11).

Gerry Henderson of USA offered written only testimony in support of **HB 2712**. (Attachment 12).

State Education Governance At-A-Glance was distributed by NASB. (Attachment 13).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50. The next meeting of the House Education Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 16, 2006.