

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clay Aurand at 9:00 a.m. on March 12, 2009, in Room 711 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:
Representative Valdenia Winn - excused

Committee staff present:
Sharon Wenger, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Reagan Cussimano, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Theresa Kiernan, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Dale Dennis, Kansas Department of Education
Janet Henning, Committee Assistant

Chairman Aurand told Committee members for the purpose of chairing the House Education Committee on March 12, 2009, he would appoint Representative Judy Loganbill as the Chairperson.

HB 2199 - Concerning school districts and students with dyslexia.

Acting Chairperson Loganbill requested a report from Sub-Committee Chairperson Spalding regarding the resolution for **HB 2199**. Representative Spalding told Committee members the Sub-Committee had met several times and felt that the bill was not necessary at this time and in lieu of a bill, to introduce a resolution to direct the State Board of Education to take certain actions in relation to children with reading problems, including dyslexia. (Attachment 1)

Representative Spalding moved to introduce a concurrent resolution. The motion was seconded by Representative Brookens. The motion carried on a voice vote.

HB 2008 - School medication aide act; certain persons authorized to administer epinephrine.

Acting Chairperson Loganbill closed the hearing of February 10, 2009 on **HB 2008**.

Acting Chairperson Loganbill requested a report from Sub-Committee Chairperson Horst regarding **HB 2008**. Representative Horst told Committee members the Sub-Committee had met several times and then gave an overview of a substitute bill for **HB 2008**. (Attachment 2)

Representative Horst moved to pass out the balloon amendment for HB 2008 favorably for passage. The motion was seconded by Representative Huebert.

Representative Brookens moved for a substitute motion to include language in new Section 2 clarifying that school districts are not required to maintain an epinephrine kit. The motion was seconded by Representative Hill. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Representative Horst moved to pass out substitute HB 2008, as amended, favorably for passage. The motion was seconded by Representative Huebert. The motion carried on a voice vote.

SB 41 - School districts; repeal of archaic statutes relating to transfers of funds and property; disorganized districts.

Representative Aurand told Committee members of a proposed amendment for **SB 41**. Rep Aurand stated that he intends to offer an amendment to the law which allows a district which has been enlarged through the disorganization of another district and the attachment of the territory of the former district to the enlarged district to maintain the budget authority of both of the districts. Under current law, this financial incentive applies only if the entire territory of the disorganized district is attached to a single district. The proposed amendment would extend the financial incentive to the situation in which a district is disorganized and the territory of the former district is attached to more than one district.

Representative Aurand told Committee members this amendment would possibly be discussed at the next meeting, Tuesday, March 17, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2009.