

Senate Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for EDUCATION

Date: *January 30, 2017*

Location: *RM 22*

Convened: *3:00 PM*

Recessed: *4:00 PM*

Reconvened: *5:05 PM*

Recessed: *6:50 PM*

Reconvened: *8:40 PM*

Adjourned: *9:15 PM*

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Sinclair-CH, Edler-VC, Quirmbach-RM, Behn, Bowman, Chelgren, Danielson, Dvorsky, Greene, Hart, Johnson, C., Kraayenbrink, Lofgren, Mathis, Rozenboom

Absent:

Excused:

Meeting came to order at 3:03

Minutes were approved

Republicans will caucus in Senator Behn's office; Democrats will caucus in Senator Hogg's office.

Senator Quirmbach was recognized.

Senator Quirmbach expressed his displeasure with the process in which the substance of the subcommittee was relayed to the public. Senator Quirmbach yielded to Senator Bowman for comments.

Senator Bowman relayed questions regarding the impact of the bill on rural schools and the impact on students.

Senator Sinclair recognized Senator Kraayenbrink.

Senator Kraayenbrink moved to recess until 5pm.

The motion passed with Senator Danielson voting no.

The committee recessed until 5 pm.

Meeting reconvened at 5:05.

Senator Hart was recognized and deferred her comments to Senator Quirnbach.

Senator Chelgren called point of order on discussion stating that a bill had not been called up, so there debate on the bill was out of order. Senator Sinclair sustained the point.

Senator Quirnbach deferred for an amendment.

Senate Republicans went to caucus.

The committee stood at ease until 8 pm for the Democrats to have their amendment drafted. The committee reconvened at 8:38.

Senator Sinclair recognized Senator Chelgren.

Senator Chelgren moved to close debate at 9 pm on Monday January 30th.

Senator Quirnbach called a record roll call vote.

Motion passed 9-6 to end debate at 9pm.

Senator Sinclair relinquished the chair to Senator Edler.

Senator Sinclair was recognized by Senator Edler and she moved to take up [SSB 1028](#) as a subcommittee of the whole.

Senator Quirnbach called for a record roll call vote.

Motion passed 9-6 to enter into a subcommittee of the whole.

Senator Sinclair gave opening comments on [SSB 1028](#).

Senator Sinclair moved to adopt amendment 1028.84.99 to amendment 1028.84.

Motion passes on a voice vote.

Senator Sinclair gave opening comments on amendment 1028.84.

Senator Dvorsky was recognized and asked questions regarding fiscal impacts.

A representative from LSA was recognized and gave clarification regarding appropriation.

Senator Mathis was recognized and questioned if there were individual district information regarding the effects of this bill.

Senator Sinclair confirmed it was not available at the time and the LSA representative relayed that the information would be available within 24 hours.

Senator Hart was recognized and questioned whether or not the subcommittee could wait until tomorrow when the information would be available.

Senator Sinclair expressed the importance of finishing the subcommittee tonight to stay on track.

Senator Quirnbach made a point of information regarding the importance of having all the information before voting on [SSB 1028](#).

Senator Hart was recognized and gave updates from the superintendents from her districts over the impact of this legislation.

Senator Bowman was recognized. He asked fellow senators to raise their hand if they had contacted their superintendents over the effects and wanted to know who Senator Edler talked to.

Senator Edler yielded for a question, and responded confirming he spoke with both Marshalltown and West Marshall school districts.

Senator Quirnbach was recognized and stated he had talked to the Marshalltown community school district and informed the body of the effects they discussed.

Senator Sinclair opened the floor to take comments from the public.

Megan Christofferson from Johnston IA discussed her children and their experience with inclusion and mainstream. She reiterated that for those programs to work they needed funding.

Molly Sweeney from Des Moines IA discussed the importance of STEM and professional development and explained that this bill did not give adequate funding to support those programs

Senator Chelgren made a point of order in regards to going over the 9 pm time limit. His point was well taken and debate was ended.

Senator Sinclair made the point of trying to hold meeting at 3 instead of 9.

Senator Quirnbach called a point of order questioning if the senators would be allowed to have comments or questions.

Senator Sinclair reiterated that a motion to cloture at 9 pm passed and there would be no further discussion due to that motion passing.

Senator Quirnbach asked if she was denying the public and senators right to speak.

Senator Sinclair reiterated the attempt to have meeting at 3 with plenty of time to hear discussion.

Senator Quirnbach questioned the process of the subcommittee of the whole.

Senator Sinclair confirmed that the rules of the senate were followed.

Senator Quirnbach argued that there was no time to discuss and that LSA did not have the numbers for the bill being discussed.

Senator Sinclair reiterated that the goal was to meet the deadline which is what Senator Sinclair is attempting to do tonight.

Motion to move amendment 1028.84 with amendment was heard and passed 9-6.

Motion to move [SSB 1028](#) with amendments from subcommittee was heard and passed 9-6.

Motion to dissolve the subcommittee and return to committee was heard and passed.

Senator Sinclair was recognized for opening remarks for [SSB 1028](#) with amendments.

Senator Sinclair gave no comments in respect to the motion to end debate at 9 pm that had passed.

Senator Quirnbach called a point of order questioning the discussion process.

Senator Sinclair denied comments due to the cloture vote.

Senator Bowman called point of order questioning if discussion was required.

Senator Sinclair clarified that according to the rules no comments were required when cloture has passed.

Senator Edler called for order.

Senator Sinclair called for a vote on a corrective amendment, amendment 1028.48.99 to amendment 1028.84. Amendment passed on a voice vote.

Senator Sinclair moved to pass amendment 1028.84 as amended. The amendment passed 9-6.

Senator Sinclair moved to pass [SSB 1028](#) as amended, waiving the requirements of Rule 40.

[SSB 1028](#) passed committee on a 9-6 vote.

Senator Edler relinquished the chair to Senator Sinclair.

Senator Sinclair gave closing comments addressing the manner in which the meeting was handled.

Senator Quirnbach called a point of order for questioning the integrity of a fellow Senator.

Senator Sinclair yielded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15.

Senator Amy Sinclair

Casey Nickel, Committee Secretary