

House Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for EDUCATION

Date: **February 18, 2026**

Location: **RM 102**

Convened: **2:30 PM**

Recessed: **2:35 PM**

Reconvened: **5:55 PM**

Adjourned: **6:45 PM**

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Representatives Wheeler-CH, Fett-VC, Ehlert-RM, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone

Absent:

Excused:

Chairman Wheeler called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.
Chairman Wheeler announced they would go to caucus at 2:35 p.m.
Chairman Wheeler reconvened at 5:55 p.m.
Roll call was taken with 23 members present.
The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.
Chairman Wheeler read the assignment of bills.
[HF 2451](#) Shipley Ch, Fett, Matson
[HSB 746](#) Hayes Ch, Larson, Kurth
[HF 460](#) Henderson Ch, Kniff McCulla, Ehlert
Consideration of bills
Chairman Wheeler transferred the Chair role to Vice Chair Fett.
[HSB 735](#)

- Chair Fett recognized Representative Wheeler for opening comments for [HSB 735](#).
- There is an amendment.
- Representative Wheeler moved Amend .2683 to [HSB 735](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2683 to [HSB 735](#) passed short form.
- The committee moved back to [HSB 735](#) as amended and there was discussion.
- Representative Wheeler was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 735](#), as amended.
- Chair Fett moved [HSB 735](#) as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 14 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Shipley, Stone) and 9 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Ingels, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez).

Chair Fett transferred the Chair role back to Representative Wheeler.
[HSB 676](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Gehlbach for opening comments for [HSB 676](#).
- There is an amendment.
- Representative Gehlbach moved Amend .2596 to [HSB 676](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2596 to [HSB 676](#) passed short form.
- The committee moved back to [HSB 676](#) as amended and there was discussion.
- Representative Gehlbach was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 676](#), as amended.
- Chairman Wheeler moved Gehlbach as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 14 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Shipley, Stone) and 9 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Ingels, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez).

[HF 621](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Shipley for opening comments for [HF 621](#).
- There is an amendment.
- Representative Shipley moved Amend .2716 to [HF 621](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2716 to [HF 621](#) passed short form.
- There is another amendment.
- Representative Shipley moved Amend .2707 to [HF 621](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2707 to [HF 621](#) passed short form.
- There is another amendment.
- Representative Shipley moved Amend .2706 to [HF 621](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2706 to [HF 621](#) passed short form.
- The committee moved back to [HF 621](#) as amended and there was discussion.
- Representative Shipley was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 621](#), as amended.
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 621](#) as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 17 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone) and 6 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez).

[HSB 717](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Gehlbach for opening comments for [HSB 717](#).
- There is an amendment.
- Representative Gehlbach moved Amend .2616 to [HSB 717](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2616 to [HSB 717](#) passed short form.
- The committee moved back to [HSB 717](#) as amended and there was discussion.
- Representative Gehlbach was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 717](#), as amended.
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HSB 717](#) as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 16 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone) and 7 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez).

[HSB 677](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Ingels for opening comments for [HSB 677](#).
- There is an amendment.
- Representative Ingels moved Amend .2728 to [HSB 677](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2728 to [HSB 677](#) passed short form.
- The committee moved back to [HSB 677](#) as amended and there was discussion.
- Representative Ingels was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 677](#), as amended.
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HSB 677](#) as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 21 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Madison, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone) 2 nays (Representatives Levin, Matson).

[HSB 725](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Fett for opening comments for [HSB 725](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Fett was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 725](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HSB 725](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 20 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Madison, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone) and 3 nays (Representatives Levin, Matson, Ramirez).

[HF 2307](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Boden for opening comments for [HF 2307](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Boden was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2307](#).

- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2307](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 23 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone).

[HF 2393](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Behn for opening comments for [HF 2393](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Behn was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2393](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2393](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 22 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone), and 1 nays (Representative Ingels).

[HF 2218](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Boden for opening comments for [HF 2218](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Boden was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2218](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2218](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 14 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Shipley, Stone) and 9 nays (Representatives Ehlert, Gosa, Ingels, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez).

[HSB 746](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Hayes for opening comments for [HSB 746](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Hayes was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HSB 746](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HSB 746](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 16 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, T., Shipley, Stone) and 7 nays (Representatives Ehlert-RM, Gosa, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez).

[HF 2451](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Shipley for opening comments for [HF 2451](#).
- There is an amendment.
- Representative Shipley moved Amend .2684 to [HF 2451](#) and requested a short form vote.
- Amend .2684 to [HF 2451](#) passed short form.
- The committee moved back to [HF 2451](#) as amended and there was discussion.
- Representative Shipley was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 2451](#), as amended.
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 2451](#) as amended as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 19 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez, Shipley, Stone) and 4 nays (Representatives Gosa, Ingels, Kurth, Moore, T.).

[HF 460](#)

- Chairman Wheeler recognized Representative Henderson for opening comments for [HF 460](#).
- There was discussion.
- Representative Henderson was recognized for closing remarks and moved [HF 460](#).
- Chairman Wheeler moved [HF 460](#) as a committee bill on a roll call vote of 23 yeas (Representatives Wheeler, Fett, Ehlert, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, Johnson, C., Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, T., Ramirez, Shipley, Stone).

With no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Wheeler motioned to adjourn, seconded by Shipley. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Representative Skyler Wheeler

Jamie Spangler, Committee Secretary