COMMITTEE MINUTES for
EDUCATION

Date: February 11, 2008 **Place:** Room 22

Convened: 2/11/2008 3:05 PM **Recessed:** 2/11/2008 3:50 PM **Reconvened:** 2/11/2008 4:00 PM **Adjourned:** 2/11/2008 4:05 PM

Present: Senators Schoenjahn-CH, Appel-VC, Mulder-RM, Beall, Boettger, Connolly, Heckroth, Johnson, Kreiman, McKinley, Quirmbach, Schmitz, Wood, Zaun, Zieman

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Schoenjahn called the meeting to order at 3:05 P.M. Minutes were approved from the February 6th meeting. After a brief discussion, the committee approved a letter to be sent to the Governor that requests the Governor appoint members that will bring geographic balance to the State Board of Education.

Senator Schoenjahn recognized members from the Department of Education for a presentation about four-year old preschools. Presenters included: Judy Jeffrey, Kevin Fangman, and LauraBell Sherman-Proehl. At the conclusion of the presentation, questions were fielded from senators.

Senator Schoenjahn recognized Senator Appel to take up SSB 3068, an act relating to the statewide preschool program for four-year-old children and funding associated with the program and providing an effective date. Senator Appel also presented the amendment 3068.302.

Senator Mulder called for a Republican caucus at 3:50 P.M.

The committee reconvened at 4:00 P.M.

Senator Schoenjahn recognized Senator Appel to continue with amendment 3068.302. Short form was called on amendment 3068.302. The amendment was approved with unanimous consent. Senator Schoenjahn recognized Senator Appel to take up SSB 3068 as amended. After a brief discussion, short form was called and the bill was moved to the calendar under Rule 40. Fourteen senators voting aye and Senator Zaun voting nay.

Senator McKinley moved to arise at 4:05 P.M.

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Senator Brian Schoenjahn

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Jodi Grover, Committee Secretary