

COMMITTEE MINUTES for EDUCATION

Date: February 16, 2009

Place: Room 22

Convened: 2/16/2009
4:35 PM

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Adjourned: 2/16/2009
5:25 PM

Present: Senators Schmitz-CH, Schoenjahn-VC, Boettger-RM, Appel, Beall, Dvorsky, Feenstra, Hamerlinck, Heckroth, Johnson, Kreiman, Quirmbach, Sodders, Wilhelm

Absent: Senator McKinley

Excused: None

Senator Schmitz called the meeting to order at 4:35.

The minutes were approved.

Senator Schmitz was recognized by Senator Schoenjahn to take up SSB 1175, a study bill for an act relating to the transportation school districts may provide to students participating in open enrollment when construction requires temporary alteration of a regular school bus route.

Senator Schoenjahn recognized Senator Schmitz to take up amendment 1175.301. After a brief discussion, short form was called with 13 ayes.

Senators were given time to ask questions.

The committee passed SSB 1175 unanimously with 13 ayes and the bill was moved to the calendar under Rule 40.

Senator Schmitz recognized Senator Schoenjahn to take up SF 122, a bill for an act relating to the allocation of funds to the all Iowa opportunity foster care grant program and providing an effective date. Short form was called. The committee passed SF 122 unanimously with 13 ayes.

Dr. Troyce Fisher, director of the Wallace Leadership Grant, SAI, Dr. Dan Smith, executive director, SAI, and Matt Ludwig, consultants for educational leadership, Iowa Department of Education, gave a presentation on Administrator Quality and the Wallace Grant.

Senator Becky Schmitz

Shanon Kreiman, Committee Secretary