

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathe Decker at 9:00 A.M. on March 13, 2006 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Valdenia Winn- excused

Committee staff present:
Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research
Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes Office
Art Griggs, Revisor of Statutes Office
Ann Deitcher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Mark Desetti - KNEA

HB 2979 - Teachers, licensure, multi-cultural education requirement.

Representative Horst addressed the Committee as a proponent of **HB 2979**. (Attachment 1).

Mark Desetti spoke of his organization's suggestions for changes to **HB 2979**. (Attachment 2).

Following questions and answers of the Committee, the Chair appointed a sub-committee to make necessary corrections in the language of **HB 2979**.

The hearing was closed on **HB 2979**.

SCR 1618 - Memorializing the President and Congress regarding federal funding of education.

A motion was made by Representative Storm and seconded by Representative Yonally to pass SCR 1618 favorably out of Committee.

Representative Loganbill moved for a substitute amendment to SCR 1618 that would delete the words "No Child Left Behind" and replace them with "Re-authorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1964. The motion was seconded by Representative Flaharty and passed on a voice vote.

Representative Mah made the motion which was seconded by Representative Storm, that SCR 1618 be passed as amended. The motion carried on a show of hands.

SB 485 - Concerning school districts; relating to the suspension or expulsion of pupils.

The Chair told the Committee that the issues that had been in question in **SB 485** had been clarified and according to the Revisor's office, nothing needed to be changed.

A motion was made by Representative Johnson and seconded by Representative Craft to pass SB 485 favorably. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 2006.