

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

February 18, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m., with all members present except Reps. Uhde and Gunderson. The committee went into Executive Session to consider several bills.

House Bill 707 - Rep. Sivertson said the bill would cost \$1.8 million. Rep. Lory moved that the bill DO NOT PASS. It was mentioned that there is no chance of getting any more federal money. There is no COP Program; it ran out 2 years ago. Rep. Kennerly made a substitute motion to amend page 4, line 22, by striking Hays-Lodgepole School District #50 and inserting Intertribal Education Center, Inc. The motion passed unanimously by those present. Rep. Kennerly then made another substitute motion that the bill DO PASS AS AMENDED. Rep. Estenson said she did not know why Dr. Daton testified against the program when the Commissioner's Office was in favor of it. The Chairperson said Dr. Daton did not want to be a flow through agency. Rep. Kvaalen said someone in that office admitted new students into the program when there was no authority from the Legislature to do so. The substitute motion failed 6-7. Reps. Lory moved to reverse the vote on the DO NOT PASS AS AMENDED motion. The motion passed 7-6.

House Bill 378 - The bill would cost \$1.4 million in 1978 and \$1.323 million in 1979. Rep. Kvaalen said at the county level the money comes out of a county equalization fund and would take more money. Rep. Dussault moved to amend page 2, line 12, by striking thirty-five cents (\$.35). The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Barrett moved that the bill DO PASS AS AMENDED. The motion passed 8-6.

House Bill 768 - Chairperson suggested amending line 19, page 3, following "systems," by inserting "on Indian reservations." Rep. Estenson said she talked with the proponents and they are agreeable to amending page 4, line 9, after curriculum by adding "it is the intention etc." The page 3 amendment passed unanimously. After discussion, Rep. Estenson agreed that her amendment would be redundant. Rep. Kennerly moved that the bill DO PASS AS AMENDED. Rep. Estenson moved to strike "and ceremonies" on page 4, line 7 and 8. The motion to amend passed unanimously. After more discussion, Rep. Kennerly made a substitute motion to table the bill. The substitute motion passed unanimously.

HJR 30 - Rep. Lory moved that the resolution DO PASS. The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Estenson requested a postponement on House Bill 744 until Monday. The Chair granted the extension.

The attached sheet shows percentages and levels of funding for the different foundation program schedules bills. If the Legislature sets the schedules high and underfunds them, the balance not coming from the general fund would be raised from statewide deficiency levies and it would be the most equitable way to finance education.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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VOTING RECORD

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	<u>HB 707 Kennerly DPAA</u>	<u>HB 707 Lory DNP</u>	<u>HB 378 Barrett DPAA</u>
Dussault	No	Yes	Yes
Gilligan	Yes	No	Yes
Courtney	Yes	No	Yes
Estenson	Yes	No	No
Gunderson	Excused	Excused	Excused
Hand	No	Yes	Yes
Kennerly	Yes	No	Yes
Kessler	Yes	No	Yes
Uhde	Excused	Excused	Yes
Barrett	No	Yes	Yes
Eudaily	No	Yes	Yes
Kvaalen	No	Yes	No
Lory	No	Yes	No
Lund	Yes	No	No
Meyer	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
	6 Yes	7 Yes	8 Yes
	7 No	6 No	6 No
	2 Excused	2 Excused	1 Excused