

HOUSE BILL NO. 576

INTRODUCED BY EUDAILY, NELSON

IN THE HOUSE

FEBRUARY 2, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION & CULTURAL RESOURCES.
FEBRUARY 16, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 17, 1987	PRINTING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 18, 1987	ON MOTION, CONSIDERATION PASSED FOR THE DAY.
FEBRUARY 19, 1987	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
FEBRUARY 20, 1987	ENGROSSING REPORT.  THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 62; NOES, 29.  TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

FEBRUARY 21, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION & CULTURAL RESOURCES.
MARCH 19, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 23, 1987	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
MARCH 25, 1987	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 46; NOES, 3.  RETURNED TO HOUSE.

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MARCH 26, 1987	RECEIVED FROM SENATE.  SENT TO ENROLLING.
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