

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE  
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

**Seventy-Fourth Session  
April 23, 2007**

The Committee on Education was called to order by Chair Bonnie Parnell at 3:50 p.m., on Monday, April 23, 2007, in Room 3142 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4401 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda ([Exhibit A](#)) are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at [www.leg.state.nv.us/74th/committees/](http://www.leg.state.nv.us/74th/committees/). In addition, copies of the audio record may be purchased through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (email: [publications@lcb.state.nv.us](mailto:publications@lcb.state.nv.us); telephone: 775-684-6835).

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Assemblywoman Bonnie Parnell, Chair  
Assemblywoman Debbie Smith, Vice Chair  
Assemblyman Bob Beers  
Assemblyman David Bobzien  
Assemblyman Mo Denis  
Assemblyman Joseph P. (Joe) Hardy  
Assemblyman Ruben Kihuen  
Assemblyman Garn Mabey  
Assemblyman Harvey J. Munford  
Assemblyman Tick Segerblom  
Assemblyman Lynn D. Stewart

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Kristin Roberts, Committee Counsel  
Carol M. Stonefield, Committee Policy Analyst  
Kelly Troescher, Committee Secretary  
Rachel Pilliod, Committee Manager  
Trisha Moore, Committee Assistant



**Chair Parnell:**

[Meeting called to order. Roll called.] This is going to be a short meeting. We need to take another vote on the bills we took action on during the last meeting, last Wednesday, April 18. I was absent that day because I had to attend a funeral. Evidently, I need to be here for any final action on bills moving out of Committee. This is a new Committee rule, and it managed to slip by us.

I would like to make a note of this. Everyone has learned from this. I would like to thank Ms. Stonefield, who recognized this, for being so attentive. It is rule number 9 in our Committee rules, but it is also Assembly Standing Rule 42. That language reads, "The Chairman must be present when the Committee votes to take any final action regarding bills or resolutions." We looked at the definition of "chairman" to see if it had to be the actual chair or if it could be somebody who is taking the place of the chair. It has to be the chair. With having the double floor session today, we decided to convene so we could retake this action.

Just to review last Wednesday, the Committee voted to Do Pass Senate Bill (S.B.) 151, which was presented by Washoe County School District affecting scheduling.

**Senate Bill 151: Revises provisions governing school schedules. (BDR 34-444)**

The Committee also voted to move without recommendation and rerefer Senate Concurrent Resolution (S.C.R.) 18 to the Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senate Concurrent Resolution 18: Expresses support for vocational rehabilitation programs and services in this State. (BDR R-296)**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 18 was incorrectly referred to this Committee when it should have been referred to Health and Human Services.

If there are no questions, I will accept a motion to Do Pass S.B. 151.

ASSEMBLYMAN BEERS MOVED TO DO PASS SENATE BILL 151.

ASSEMBLYMAN DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYWOMAN SMITH WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

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I will also accept a motion to move without recommendation and rerefer S.C.R. 18 to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

ASSEMBLYMAN STEWART MOVED TO MOVE WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION AND REREFER SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 18 TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

ASSEMBLYMAN DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYWOMAN SMITH WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

We have a few Senate bills—certainly not the volume of Assembly bills that we had in the first part of the session. If there is anything you all want to have a presentation on or would like to learn more about, I would like to hear it. I was considering having some discussion about No Child Left Behind since the reauthorization of that Act is coming up. If we do not do it here, we can probably do it in the interim before the Legislative Committee on Education.

Please speak into the microphone so we can have it on the record.

**Assemblyman Segerblom:**

This was going to be off the record, but I have an interest in trying to find out if there was a way to start high school later.

**Chair Parnell:**

I will answer that with information based on last session. From both the hearing and general discussion, school districts are trying to be cognizant of not having core subjects taught at the 7:00 a.m. period, though other classes can be offered at that time. Transportation needs and the difficulty of organizing elementary, middle, and high school busing all came into play when the bill was discussed. If you would like a copy of those minutes, we could probably get them to you.

**Assemblyman Segerblom:**

All right. I would also like to know about the \$15 million Clark County gave back because they said they could not use the money.

**Assemblywoman Smith:**

That is an issue that will come up in Ways and Means. In fact, we should be having some discussion on it in our joint Committee hearing tomorrow. We will get the details on how that all came about.

**Chair Parnell:**

Seeing no additional business to come before the Committee, we will stand adjourned [at 3:57 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Kelly Troescher  
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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Assemblywoman Bonnie Parnell, Chair

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBITS**

**Committee Name:** Committee on Education

**Date:** April 23, 2007

**Time of Meeting:** 3:45 p.m.

<b>Bill</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Witness / Agency</b>	<b>Description</b>
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