

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

**Seventy-Seventh Session  
May 15, 2013**

The Committee on Education was called to order by Chairman Elliot T. Anderson at 3:29 p.m. on Wednesday, May 15, 2013, in Room 3142 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4406 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda ([Exhibit A](#)), the Attendance Roster ([Exhibit B](#)), and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at [nelis.leg.state.nv.us/77th2013](http://nelis.leg.state.nv.us/77th2013). 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:**

Assemblyman Elliot T. Anderson, Chairman  
Assemblywoman Marilyn Dondero Loop, Vice Chairwoman  
Assemblyman Paul Aizley  
Assemblywoman Lesley E. Cohen  
Assemblywoman Olivia Diaz  
Assemblyman Wesley Duncan  
Assemblyman Andy Eisen  
Assemblywoman Michele Fiore  
Assemblyman Randy Kirner  
Assemblyman Harvey J. Munford  
Assemblywoman Dina Neal  
Assemblyman Lynn D. Stewart  
Assemblywoman Heidi Swank  
Assemblywoman Melissa Woodbury

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**GUEST LEGISLATORS PRESENT:**

None

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**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Todd Butterworth, Committee Policy Analyst  
Andrew Diss, Committee Manager  
Sharon McCallen, Committee Secretary  
Ashlynd Baker, Committee Assistant

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Joyce Haldeman, representing Clark County School District  
Mary Pierczynski, representing Nevada Association of School  
Superintendents  
Steven Canavero, Ph.D., Director, State Public Charter School Authority,  
Department of Education

**Chairman Elliot Anderson:**

[Roll was called. Protocol and procedures were given.] We will go to our work session.

**Senate Bill 442 (1st Reprint): Eliminates certain mandates relating to schools.  
(BDR 34-1078)**

**Todd Butterworth, Committee Policy Analyst:**

Senate Bill 442 (1st Reprint) was heard in Committee on May 6, 2013. [Read from work session document with mock-up of proposed amendment ([Exhibit C](#)).]

**Chairman Elliot Anderson:**

I would like to speak about how we arrived at this mock-up on S.B. 442 (R1). We convened a working group with myself, Mr. Stewart, Ms. Swank, the school districts, and any interested parties that reached out to our office. We came to an agreement. I felt that a couple of the statutes were worthwhile to retain. I did not want to see the policies for bullying repealed, so we worked more to the intent of those who were bringing this bill forth. I believe we reached that agreement. Would our bill's sponsors like to come up and ditto that for the record?

**Joyce Haldeman, representing Clark County School District:**

Yes, you are correct. We really appreciate the fact that you gave us an opportunity to work through those issues that were unresolved so we could make sure both the intent of the bill and the language was, in fact, completely the same. We have found good common ground.

**Mary Pierczynski, representing Nevada Association of School Superintendents:**

I would like to echo what Ms. Haldeman has said. Thank you very much for getting everyone together and for your Committee members who took their time that morning to meet with us as well.

**Chairman Elliot Anderson:**

With that I would accept a motion for amend and do pass with the mock-up.

ASSEMBLYMAN STEWART MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS  
SENATE BILL 442 (1ST REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYWOMAN DIAZ SECONDED THE MOTION.

Is there any discussion? [There was none.]

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The floor statement will go to Mr. Stewart.

**Senate Bill 443: Revises provisions governing charter schools. (BDR 34-1079)**

**Todd Butterworth, Committee Policy Analyst:**

Senate Bill 443 was heard in Committee on May 1, 2013. [Read from work session document ([Exhibit D](#))].

**Chairman Elliot Anderson:**

I noticed something I had a little concern with and I worked it through with Legal. It appears that S.B. 443 is more of a technical bill. It seemed like there was a policy change on page 2, line 10 so I made a proposal. Mr. Canavero, if you would be willing to come up and confirm that we would be keeping the existing language on line 10 and getting rid of the new language. Could you confirm that you are okay with that for the record?

**Steven Canavero, Ph.D., Director, State Public Charter School Authority,  
Department of Education:**

That is correct. We are fine with that.

**Chairman Elliot Anderson:**

The amendment would retain the existing language in line 10 and get rid of the new language.

Is there a motion to amend and do pass with my amendment on line 10?

ASSEMBLYWOMAN DIAZ MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS  
SENATE BILL 433.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN DONDERO LOOP SECONDED THE MOTION.

Is there any discussion? [There was none.]

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The floor statement will go to Ms. Diaz.

With that, we will close our work session. The microphones are open for public comment either here in Carson City, or in Las Vegas. [There was none.]

The meeting is adjourned [at 3:35 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Sharon McCallen  
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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Assemblyman Elliot T. Anderson, Chairman

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

**EXHIBITS**

**Committee Name:** Committee on Education

**Date:** May 15, 2013

**Time of Meeting:** 3:29 p.m.

<b>Bill</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Witness / Agency</b>	<b>Description</b>
	A		Agenda
	B		Attendance Roster
S.B. 442 (R1)	C	Todd Butterworth	Work Session Document with mock-up of proposed amendment.
S.B. 443	D	Todd Butterworth	Work Session Document