

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, March 21, 2018

TIME: 8:30 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW41

MEMBERS: Chairman VanOrden, Vice Chairman McDonald, Representatives Shepherd, Boyle, Clow, Mendive, Kerby, Cheatham, Amador, DeMordaunt, Moon, Syme, Ehardt, McCrostie, Toone, Gannon(5)

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) DeMordaunt

GUESTS: Blake Youde, Idaho Charter School Network; Jan Sylvester
Chairman VanOrden called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Amador** made a motion to approve the minutes of March 20, 2018. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

H 566aaS: **Blake Youde** explained the amendments made in the Senate to **H 566aaS**. He said that, in addition to the four criteria for a charter school administrator certificate in **H 566**, the Senate Amendment adds language which requires one of the following criteria: five or more years of experience administering a public charter school; a post-baccalaureate degree and a minimum of five years of experience in school administration, public administration, business administration or military administration; successful completion of a nationally-recognized charter school leaders fellowship; or five or more years of teaching experience.

In response to questions from the committee, **Mr. Youde** said that, of the charter schools which support the legislation, one charter school in Idaho had only one applicant for the administrator position. Another charter school had more than one applicant, but neither applicant had administrator certification. The goal of **H 566aaS** is to allow charter schools to choose the best administrator for their charter school models, said Mr. Youde. **H 566aaS** establishes provisions for charter school administrator certification and does not apply to traditional public schools. The Office of the State Board of Education will address what is a nationally-recognized charter school leaders fellowship in its rule-making process, said Mr. Youde.

MOTION: **Rep. McDonald** made a motion to concur with the amendments made in the Senate to **H 566aaS**. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Reps. Gannon, McCrostie and Toone** requested to be recorded as voting **NAY**. **Rep. Boyle** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 a.m.

Representative VanOrden
Chair

Jenifer Cavaness-Williams
Secretary