

MINUTES
SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, January 24, 2024

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

PLACE: Room WW55

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Lent, Vice Chairman Toews, Senators Den Hartog, Nichols, Carlson, Herndon, Lenney, Ward-Engelking, and Egbert (Semmelroth)

ABSENT/ EXCUSED: Senator Ward-Engelking

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CONVENED: **Chairman Lent** called the Senate Education Committee (Committee) to order at 3:01 p.m.

RS 30939 **Teacher Spending Accounts.** **Senator Herndon** presented **RS 30939**. **RS 30939** provided teachers with money for eligible classroom needs such as materials, supplies, and technical equipment. A rollover of funds was allowed from year one to year two. Funds not used after year two reverted to the general fund. Local schools were able to determine eligible use of funds, with guidance from the State Department of Education. Funds could not be used for administrative purposes.

DISCUSSION: **Chairman Lent** asked Senator Herndon to offer a suggested funding range for the spending accounts at the next hearing.

MOTION: **Senator Den Hartog** moved to send **RS 30939** to print. **Vice Chairman Toews** seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business at this time, **Chairman Lent** adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

Senator Lent
Chair

Lisa Stein
Secretary