

MINUTES  
**HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

- DATE:** Thursday, February 14, 2013
- TIME:** 9:00 A.M.
- PLACE:** Room EW41
- MEMBERS:** Chairman DeMordaunt, Vice Chairman Nielsen, Representatives Shepherd, Wills, Bateman, Boyle, Agidius, Clow, Gestrin, Harris, Horman, Mendive, VanOrden, Pence, Kloc, Ward-Engelking
- ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** None
- GUESTS:** Rob Winslow, Idaho Association of School Administrators; Karen Echeverria, Idaho School Boards Association; Harold Ott, Idaho Rural Schools Association
- Chairman DeMordaunt** called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.
- MOTION:** **Rep. Kloc** made a motion to approve the minutes of February 5, 2013. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- MOTION:** **Rep. Kloc** made a motion to approve the minutes of 9:00 a.m., February 11, 2013. **Motion carried by voice vote.**
- H 65:** **Chairman DeMordaunt** explained that as a result of the repeal of the Students Come First Legislation, Public Schools would receive less money in FY13 than was originally appropriated. This legislation recommends the allowance of this funding to flow to the Public Schools at the expectations prior to the repeal. He explained each line item in the fiscal note on the statement of purpose. He noted the Pay for Performance line had already been committed and paid. The difference in the Technology & Professional Development line comes from the addition of the Mobile Computing Devices line. Regarding the National Board Certified line, the money was not in the original budget, the repeal brought it back and this legislation allows it to continue, as it was thought to be beneficial to teachers.
- Chairman DeMordaunt** explained the language changes to the legislation. He stated the stricken language from the Experience and Education Multiplier section would unfreeze teacher grid movement who received higher education in FY10 and qualified for earnings based on that higher education in FY11. He explained the Online Portal section is limited to Idaho schools and curriculum and will provide a clearinghouse of information for parents and students.
- In response to questions regarding the funding for dual credit, **Chairman DeMordaunt** said it provides funds for early completers only. He explained this will meet the expectations that were already set. He explained the technology clearinghouse will allow parents and students to view a ratings system of classes. He explained the funding for the 5th Factor affects the allocation of the salary area of the budget and is calculated using the classroom support units. He said it was unique to FY13 and is not ongoing. He clarified the monies used to expand wireless technology will serve high schools, specifically to focus on a wireless gap study to determine technology needs.

**Jason Hancock**, Deputy Chief of Staff, State Superintendent's Office, Idaho Department of Education, clarified the stricken language from the Experience and Education Multiplier section. He said when this language was put into place during the 2010 Legislature it was setting the FY11 budget as an ongoing reduction to prevent people from moving over. He said it was only in place for one year but the repeal brought it back. If this language is kept in the legislation, he explained, they would need to figure out which credits teachers have, when they got them and freeze them on the grid not allowing them to earn based on their education level. He explained it applies to those who received degrees in FY10 and wanted recognition in FY11, it has no impact on people earning degrees now or in the future.

The committee expressed positive comments regarding this legislation.

**MOTION:** **Rep. Ward-Engelking** made a motion to send **H 65** to the floor with a **DO PASS** recommendation. **Motion carried by voice vote.** **Chairman DeMordaunt** will sponsor the bill on the floor.

**Chairman DeMordaunt** recognized the service of Legislative Page **Rebecca Failing**, who has been assigned to the committee for the first half of the session.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

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Representative DeMordaunt  
Chair

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Jackie Wright  
Secretary