

2013 HOUSE EDUCATION

HCR 3015

2013 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

House Education Committee
Pioneer Room, State Capitol

HCR 3015
January 28, 2013
17777

Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

Ch. Nathe: We will open the hearing on HCR 3015.

Rep. Don Vigesaa: Sponsor, support. This is a resolution that declares, Monday, February 11, 2013, as ND Close Up Day. We do this every session where the ND Close Up comes in to the State Capitol. We usually have an event on Sunday evening, that Legislators are invited to and meet with the kids and then they are all here on Monday and sit with us on the Floor. It's a great day for them. It is anticipated that nearly 100 students from across ND will participate this year. Close up has been around for quite a while. In fact, it started back in 1970 and it has served hundreds of thousands of youth throughout its mission to get the kids more involved in what the government is all about. The mission statement, some of the history of the organization and a message from the President (see attached).

Ch. Nathe: Thank you. Further testimony in support.

Bev Nielson, ND Council of Educational Leaders, and the State Coordinator for the Close-Up program: Support.

Ch. Nathe: Thank you. Further testimony in support. Testimony in opposition. We will close the hearing.

Rep. Rust: I move a Do Pass.

Rep. Heilman: Second the motion.

11 YES 0 NO 2 ABSENT

DO PASS

CARRIER: Rep. J. Kelsh

Date: 1/28/13

Roll Call Vote #: 1

2013 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3015

House EDUCATION Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken: Do Pass Amended Rerefer to Appropriations
 Do Not Pass Adopt Amendment

Motion Made By Rep Rust Seconded By Rep Heilman

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Mike Nathe	✓		Rep. Bob Hunsakor		
Rep. Mike Schatz	✓		Rep. Jerry Kelsh	✓	
Rep. Joe Heilman	✓		Rep. Corey Mock		
Rep. Brenda Heller	✓				
Rep. Dennis Johnson	✓				
Rep. Ben Koppelman	✓				
Rep. Lisa Meier	✓				
Rep. Karen Rohr	✓				
Rep. David Rust	✓				
Rep. John Wall	✓				

TOTAL (YES) 11 (NO) 0 (ABSENT) 2

FLOOR ASSIGNMENT Rep. Kelsh

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3015: Education Committee (Rep. Nathe, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS**
(11 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3015 was placed on the
Eleventh order on the calendar.

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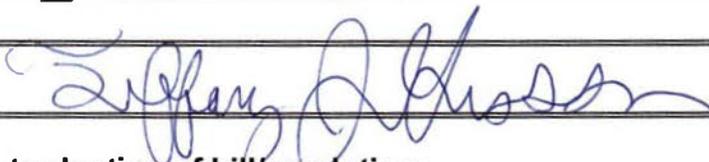
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Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A concurrent resolution declaring Monday, February 11, 2013, "North Dakota Close-Up Day"

Minutes:

You may make reference to "attached testimony."

Chairman Flakoll opened the hearing on HCR 3015

Representative Don Vigesa District 23: I am here to introduce HCR 3015 (Written Testimony #1 attached)

Chairman Flakoll: How many schools are represented?

Representative Don Vigesa District 23: 14 schools

Senator Heckaman: We had YCLA when I was in rural elementary school. Young Citizens League of America and we studied government.

Bev Nielson NDCL, Coordinator of State Close up Program: This year the students are doing the Legislative branch. They are choosing a DUI bill. They will be observing hearings on Monday and doing a mock hearing on Tuesday morning. We have 14 schools and 90 students and educators. Close up is not actually an organization like Senator Heckerman's. It would be wonderful if it were. It is actually an event. We send the notification to all of the High School Social Studies teachers in the state. A lot of the larger schools go to National Close Up.

Senator Luick: Is the Smithsonian group similar to Close Up? We used to be involved with close up but two years ago we switched to Smithsonian and every other year the kids go to DC to tour.

Bev Nielson NDCL, Coordinator of State Close up Program: I am not familiar with that.

Chairman Flakoll: What ages are we looking at? Is it public and private?

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Chairman Flakoll: Are homeschoolers participating?

Bev Nielson NDCL, Coordinator of State Close up Program: I don't think so but I don't know.

Chairman Flakoll: Who pays the expenses?

Bev Nielson NDCL, Coordinator of State Close up Program: We get a small appropriation and that goes through the Lead center for NDCL to coordinate. National Close Up gives a grant from 2-3 thousand dollars. The Tesoro foundation gives a grant between two and three thousand dollars as well. The schools enroll for \$120 per school. The registration fee for those who attend is \$145 which covers the meals and hotel.

Chairman Flakoll: Does anyone wish to testify in opposition to HCR 3015?

Chairman Flakoll: Closed hearing on HCR 3015

Vice Chairman Schaible: Move a do pass on HCR 3015

Senator Marcellais: Second

A roll call vote taken for a do pass on HCR 3015: 6 yeas, 0 neas, 0 absent.

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Action Taken Do pass

Motion Made By Schaible Seconded By Marcellais

Senators	Yes	No	Senator	Yes	No
Chairman Tim Flakoll	✓		Senator Joan Heckaman	✓	
Vice Chairman Donald Schaible	✓		Senator Richard Marcellais	✓	
Senator Larry Luick	✓				
Senator Nicole Poolman	✓				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent _____

Floor Assignment Flakoll

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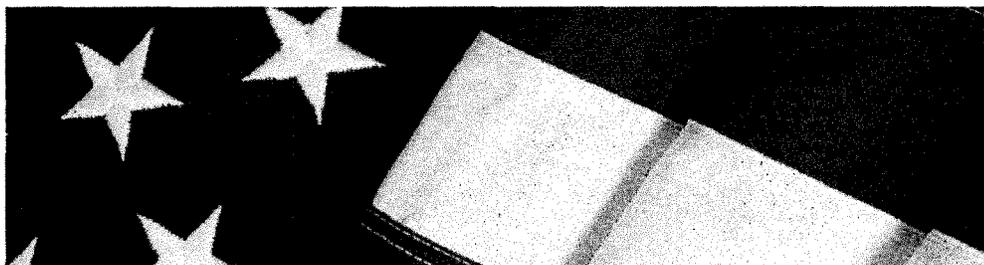
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Every year, thousands of students and teachers from schools nationwide attend our civic ed programs in Washington to get a "close up" view of government and experience democracy in action. Under our guidance, they complete a demanding but fun series of modules and learn that their voices matter in solving today's issues. Students dialog with lawmakers, media, and fellow students – using our nation's capital as a living classroom. They return to their communities inspired to engage as citizens and to help make the world a better place.

For four decades, we have inspired students from all walks of life to become informed and active citizens. Every person in the Close Up family is dedicated to this noble purpose. This includes our staff, our Boards, our national network of dedicated teachers, our 740,000 alumni, and our partners and funders such as the U.S. Congress, the Department of Education, the Department of Interior, the Freedom Forum, C-SPAN, the Center on Congress and Bank of America.

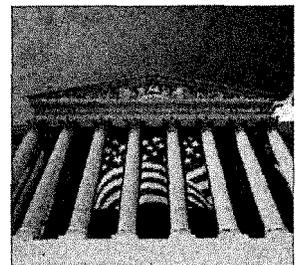
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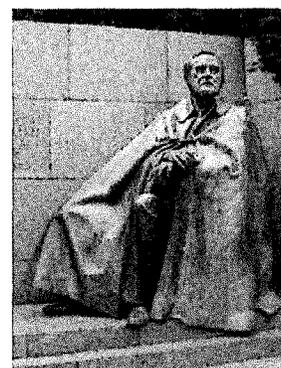
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1990/1991 Close Up students participate in the first Close Up U.S.S.R. program. Close Up television is awarded the Media and Methods Excellence in Education Award for *Democracy and Rights: One Citizen's Challenge* narrated by Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

1991/1992 Close Up partners with the Constitutional Rights Foundation to produce curriculum for Active Citizenship Today (ACT), a service learning program that brings schools and communities together to help get more young people civically involved locally, regionally, and nationally.

1992/1993 First Close Up program for middle school students. This new middle school civic education program focuses on U.S. History to meet the curricular needs of students at a pivotal age for their development of civic awareness.

1993/1994 Close Up partners with the State Department to conduct programming for students from the former Soviet Union to teach them about the underpinnings of democracy and civil society. Close Up publishes *Citizenship in Balance* textbook, which examines the rights and responsibilities of Native Americans as dual citizens.

1995/1996 Close Up celebrates the 400,000th participant on program. Two Close Up alumni are elected as members of Congress – U.S. Senator Mary Landrieu from Louisiana and U.S. Congressman Adam Smith from Washington.

1996/1997 Close Up partners with American Express for the First Vote initiative. First Vote provides voter registration and education to students and teachers. Close Up and C-SPAN partner with the new Newseum for show production. Close Up begins a partnership with United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) to provide programming to students from USET tribes.

1998/1999 President Bill Clinton addresses Close Up students. Close Up produces *Profiles of Freedom: A Living Bill of Rights* funded by the Pew Charitable Trust and earns an American Bar Association Silver Gavel Award.

2000/2001 Close Up launches a major program benefitting the District of Columbia Public Schools with 200 students enrolling in the first year. Close Up begins a partnership with the Freedom Forum focusing on aspiring high school journalism students and conducts its largest Washington program to date with 4,500 participants during the Inauguration of George W. Bush.

2001/2002 Close Up launches the first Great American Cities Program for students in select communities. Participating students are asked to complete Community Action Initiatives that range from gaining representation on their school boards to conducting traffic safety seminars at their school. Over 500,000 participants have been on Close Up to date.

2004/2005 Close Up partners with the Department of State to conduct programming for students from the Middle East on Democracy and Civil Society. Students meet with President George W. Bush in the Rose Garden of the White House. Close Up founder and CEO, Steve Janger, retires from Close Up. Tim Davis, 1971 Close Up alum, is appointed as new CEO on 7/1/2005.

2006/2007 Close Up begins programming in New York City for high school students with a new curriculum focusing on immigration issues, foreign affairs and the economy. Close Up begins programming for middle school students in Philadelphia using the National Constitution Center and Independence Park as springboards for discussing America's founding ideals and history.

2008/2009 Close Up begins a partnership with the National Indian Education Association to provide programming to students from tribes around the country. On program in November 2008, students participate in a Mock Election and hours later watch history take place as the nation elects the first African-American president. Over 3,000 participants witness history again in January at the Inauguration of President Barack Obama.

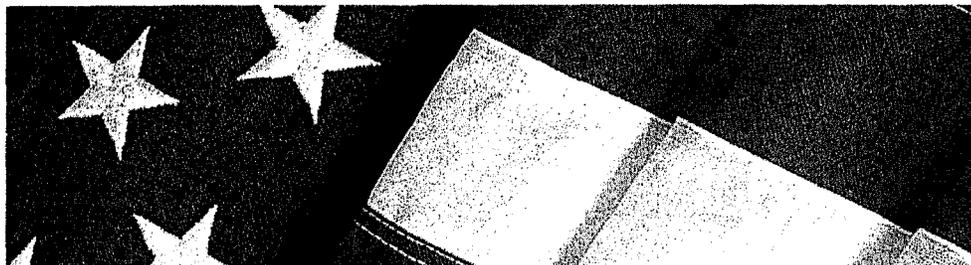
2010/2011 Close Up continues to support students from military families with a new program "Operation Next Generation" sponsored by Deloitte. Students take part in the Washington High School program and attend a Pentagon Panel seminar. Close Up marks participation of over 740,000 students and teachers on its programs and celebrates 40 years of civic education each week with teachers and partners at its new office location.

2011/2012 Close Up continues to expand its customized programming by welcoming over 700 participants from Boys and Girls Clubs of America to Washington, DC. Students on Close Up's Program for New Americans have the opportunity to hear from Dr. Lisa Ramirez, National Director for Migrant Education.



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1990/1991 Close Up students participate in the first Close Up U.S.S.R. program. Close Up television is awarded the Media and Methods Excellence in Education Award for *Democracy and Rights: One Citizen's Challenge* narrated by Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

1991/1992 Close Up partners with the Constitutional Rights Foundation to produce curriculum for Active Citizenship Today (ACT), a service learning program that brings schools and communities together to help get more young people civically involved locally, regionally, and nationally.

1992/1993 First Close Up program for middle school students. This new middle school civic education program focuses on U.S. History to meet the curricular needs of students at a pivotal age for their development of civic awareness.

1993/1994 Close Up partners with the State Department to conduct programming for students from the former Soviet Union to teach them about the underpinnings of democracy and civil society. Close Up publishes *Citizenship in Balance* textbook, which examines the rights and responsibilities of Native Americans as dual citizens.

1995/1996 Close Up celebrates the 400,000th participant on program. Two Close Up alumni are elected as members of Congress - U.S. Senator Mary Landrau from Louisiana and U.S. Congressman Adam Smith from Washington.

1996/1997 Close Up partners with American Express for the First Vote initiative. First Vote provides voter registration and education to students and teachers. Close Up and C-SPAN partner with the new Newseum for show production. Close Up begins a partnership with United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) to provide programming to students from USET Tribes.

1998/1999 President Bill Clinton addresses Close Up students. Close Up produces *Profiles of Freedom: A Living Bill of Rights* funded by the Pew Charitable Trust and earns an American Bar Association Silver Gavel Award.

2000/2001 Close Up launches a major program benefitting the District of Columbia Public Schools with 200 students enrolling in the first year. Close Up begins a partnership with the Freedom Forum focusing on aspiring high school journalism students and conducts its largest Washington program to date with 4,500 participants during the Inauguration of George W. Bush.

2001/2002 Close Up launches the first Great American Cities Program for students in select communities. Participating students are asked to complete Community Action Initiatives that range from gaining representation on their school boards to conducting traffic safety seminars at their school. Over 500,000 participants have been on Close Up to date.

2004/2005 Close Up partners with the Department of State to conduct programming for students from the Middle East on Democracy and Civil Society. Students meet with President George W. Bush in the Rose Garden of the White House. Close Up founder and CEO, Steve Janger, retires from Close Up. Tim Davis, 1971 Close Up alum, is appointed as new CEO on 7/1/2005.

2006/2007 Close Up begins programming in New York City for high school students with a new curriculum focusing on immigration issues, foreign affairs and the economy. Close Up begins programming for middle school students in Philadelphia using the National Constitution Center and Independence Park as springboards for discussing America's founding ideals and history.

2008/2009 Close Up begins a partnership with the National Indian Education Association to provide programming to students from Tribes around the country. On program in November 2008, students participate in a Mock Election and hours later watch history take place as the nation elects the first African-American president. Over 3,000 participants witness history again in January at the Inauguration of President Barack Obama.

2010/2011 Close Up continues to support students from military families with a new program "Operation Next Generation" sponsored by Deloitte. Students take part in the Washington High School program and attend a Pentagon Panel seminar. Close Up marks participation of over 740,000 students and teachers on its programs and celebrates 40 years of civic education each week with teachers and partners at its new office location.

2011/2012 Close Up continues to expand its customized programming by welcoming over 700 participants from Boys and Girls Clubs of America to Washington, DC. Students on Close Up's Program for New Americans have the opportunity to hear from Dr. Lisa Ramirez, National Director for Migrant Education.

