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2001 HOUSE EDUCATION

HB 1225

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB1225

House Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 02/12/01

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Minutes:

Chairman R. Kelsch, Vice-Chair T. Brusegaard, Rep. Bellew, Rep. Grumbo, Rep. Haas, Rep. Hanson, Rep. Hawken, Rep. Hunsakor, Rep. Johnson, Rep. Meier, Rep. Mueller, Rep. Nelson, Rep. Nottestad, Rep. Solberg, Rep. Thoreson

Chairman Kelsch: We will now open the hearing on HB1225.

Rep. Grosz: *Introduced the bill*

Rep. Mueller: Designees, who might those kind of folks be?

Rep. Grosz: As I understand it, the staff members, the center of correction, members that are involved in the law enforcement. People involved in the area, but not law enforcement.

Chairman Kelsch: Would they be trained to take fingerprints. Would they know how to do this?

Rep. Grosz: Yes.

Rep. Nottestad: Is this the common practice with other groups?

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Rep. Grosz: I'm not quite certain, although, with my conversations, it sounds very common in other states to save on time for both parties.

Rep. Nottestad: Is this the procedure in the university police office and the sheriff's office in Grand Forks. The one taking the fingerprints, are they staff members or as this bill calls for, or an officer?

Rep. Grosz: As I understand it, when someone comes in, the staff person calls for a law enforcement officer to come in and take the fingerprints. They are looking for this to provide clarification that the staff members can do it as well. If the law enforcement officer is in the building, I'm sure they will do it.

Rep. Kasper: (District 46) *Stood up and supported with a point of clarification*

Chairman Kelsch: We will take testimony in opposition to HB1225?

Janet Welk: (ESPB) *Please refer to written testimony*

Chairman Kelsch: We will close the hearing on HB1225.

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Minutes:

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Chairman Kelsch: We will take up HB1225.

Rep. Hawken: I move the amendments.

Rep. Meier: Second

Chairman Kelsch: What are the wishes of the committee?

Rep. Hanson: I move a DO PASS AS AMENDED.

Rep. Brusegaard: Second.

Chairman Kelsch: Committee discussion.

The motion of DO PASS AS AMENDED passes with 15 YAY 0 NAY 0 ABSENT.

Floor Assignment: Rep. D. Johnson

Date: 2/12/01
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1275

House House Education Committee

Subcommittee on _____

or

Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number 10446.0101

Action Taken Do Pass As Amended

Motion Made By Rep. Hanson Seconded By Rep. Brusegaard

| Representatives | Yes | No | Representatives | Yes | No |
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| Chairman-RaeAnn G. Kelsch | ✓ | | Rep. Howard Grumbo | ✓ | |
| V. Chairman-Thomas T. Brusegaard | ✓ | | Rep. Lyle Hanson | ✓ | |
| Rep. Larry Bellew | ✓ | | Rep. Bob Hunsakor | ✓ | |
| Rep. C.B. Haas | ✓ | | Rep. Phillip Mueller | ✓ | |
| Rep. Kathy Hawken | ✓ | | Rep. Dorvan Solberg | ✓ | |
| Rep. Dennis E. Johnson | ✓ | | | | |
| Rep. Lisa Meler | ✓ | | | | |
| Rep. Jon O. Nelson | ✓ | | | | |
| Rep. Darrell D. Nottestad | ✓ | | | | |
| Rep. Laurel Thoreson | ✓ | | | | |
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Total (Yes) 15 *Click here to type Yes Vote* No 0 *Click here to type No Vote*

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Click here to type Floor Assignment Rep. D. Johnson

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

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 12, 2001 4:50 p.m.

Module No: HR-24-3137
Carrier: D. Johnson
Insert LC: 10446.0101 Title: .0200

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1225: Education Committee (Rep. R. Kelsch, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (15 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1225 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 14, after the first "a" insert "properly trained"

Page 2, line 9, after the first "a" insert "properly trained"

Renumber accordingly

2001 SENATE EDUCATION

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2001 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1225

Senate Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 03-06-01

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Minutes: CHAIRMAN FREBORG called the Senate Education Committee to order. Roll Call was taken with all members (7) present.

CHAIRMAN FREBORG called the hearing on HB 1225 which relates to background checks for teacher licensure applicants.

Testimony in support of HB 1225:

REPRESENTATIVE GROSZ, District 42, stated this bill allows staff members to do finger printing. The officer is, however, still responsible.

REPRESENTATIVE TIEMAN, District 10, supports this bill. He states it allows properly trained individuals to do finger printing.

Neutral Testimony:

JANET WELK, Executive Director, ESPB, supports the bill as long as the people are properly trained to finger print.

There being no opposition and no further testimony, the hearing was closed.

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Senate Education Committee

Bill/Resolution Number HB 1225

Hearing Date 03-06-01

SENATOR O'CONNELL moved a DO PASS. Seconded by **SENATOR FLAKOLL**. Roll

Call Vote: 7 YES. 0 NO. 0 Absent. Motion Carried.

Carrier: **SENATOR FLAKOLL**

Date: 3/6/01
Roll Call Vote #: /

2001 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1225

Senate Education Committee

Subcommittee on _____

or

Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken DP

Motion Made By Sen. O'Connell Seconded By Sen. Flakoll

| Senators | Yes | No | Senators | Yes | No |
|---------------------------------|-----|----|---------------------|-----|----|
| Senator Freborg - Chairman | ✓ | | Senator Christenson | ✓ | |
| Senator Flakoll - Vice Chairman | ✓ | | Senator Kelsh | ✓ | |
| Senator Cook | ✓ | | Senator O'Connell | ✓ | |
| Senator Wanzek | ✓ | | | | |
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Total (Yes) 7 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Sen. Flakoll

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

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 6, 2001 1:59 p.m.

Module No: SR-38-4921
Carrier: Flakoll
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1225, as engrossed: Education Committee (Sen. Freborg, Chairman) recommends
DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1225
was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

2001 TESTIMONY

HB 1225



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Testimony on House Bill 1225

By

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As you will recall, this committee in 1999 provided the Education Standards and Practices Board the opportunity to issue a 40-day provisional license for those teachers whose background investigation was not complete, but who had been offered a contract. We have issued many of these 40-day provisional licenses.

What I am trying to point out is that the present system seems to be working. I have not had one complaint with regard to the investigative background checks or the amount of time.

I consulted with the Joe Herslip, BCI, Attorney General's office and was told, a designee of law enforcement could take the fingerprints of our educator applicants. It would still have to be completed on the cards provided to the ESPB. The BCI had the following concerns: 1) the cost to the applicant, 2) the amount of turn-around time, and 3) the accuracy of the prints taken. This would in the long run put additional road blocks of time into the system as the applicant would have to retake the prints each time they could not be read.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and I would be happy to answer any questions as this time.



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