

## **The House Committee on Public Education**

89th Legislature

April 29, 2025

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8:00 a.m.

JHR 140

Pursuant to a notice posted on April 24, 2025, revised on April 28, 2025, and a suspension of the 5-day posting rule on April 28, 2025, the House Committee on Public Education met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Buckley, at 8:07 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Buckley; Bernal; Bryant; Frank; Hunter; Kerwin; Leach; Leo Wilson; Schoolcraft; and Talarico.

A quorum was present.

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(Representative Allen now present.)

(Representative Hinojosa now present.)

**HB 5089**

The chair laid out HB 5089.

The chair recognized Representative Geren to explain HB 5089.

(Representative Dutton now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Ashby now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Cunningham now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Geren to close on HB 5089.

HB 5089 was left pending without objection.

At 9:23 a.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was recessed until upon final adjourn./recess or bill referral if permission granted.

The committee reconvened at 9:30 p.m. and was called to order by the chair, Representative Buckley.

The quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Buckley; Bernal; Frank; Hinojosa; Hunter; Kerwin; Leach; Leo Wilson; and Schoolcraft.

A quorum was present.

**HB 3622**

The chair laid out HB 3622.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

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The chair recognized Representative Landgraf to explain HB 3622.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Landgraf to close on HB 3622.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 3622 was left pending without objection.

**HB 3372**

The chair laid out HB 3372.

The chair recognized Representative Metcalf to explain HB 3372.

(Representative Cunningham now present.)

(Representative Bryant now present.)

(Representative Ashby now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Allen now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Metcalf to close on HB 3372.

HB 3372 was left pending without objection.

**HB 4442**

The chair laid out HB 4442.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Bhojani to explain HB 4442.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Dutton now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

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The chair recognized Representative Bhojani to close on HB 4442.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 4442 was left pending without objection.

**HB 4687**

The chair laid out HB 4687.

The chair recognized Representative Gervin-Hawkins to explain HB 4687.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Gervin-Hawkins to close on HB 4687.

HB 4687 was left pending without objection.

**HB 1573**

The chair laid out HB 1573.

The chair recognized Representative Jones, Venton to explain HB 1573.

(Representative Talarico now present.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Jones, Venton to close on HB 1573.

HB 1573 was left pending without objection.

**HB 1405**

The chair laid out HB 1405.

The chair recognized Representative Reynolds to explain HB 1405.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Reynolds to close on HB 1405.

HB 1405 was left pending without objection.

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At approximately 9:58 pm the Chair announced that witness registration will be closed at 11:00 pm.

**HB 4893**

The chair laid out HB 4893.

The chair recognized Representative Bowers to explain HB 4893.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Bowers to close on HB 4893.

HB 4893 was left pending without objection.

**HB 1249**

The chair laid out HB 1249.

The chair recognized Representative Zwiener to explain HB 1249.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Zwiener to close on HB 1249.

HB 1249 was left pending without objection.

**HB 850**

The chair laid out HB 850.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Lalani to explain HB 850.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Lalani to close on HB 850.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 850 was left pending without objection.

At approximately 11:10 pm the Chair announced that witness registration was closed.

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**HB 1122**

The chair laid out HB 1122.

The chair recognized Representative Lopez, Janie to explain HB 1122.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Lopez, Janie to close on HB 1122.

HB 1122 was left pending without objection.

**HB 3369**

The chair laid out HB 3369.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Louderback to explain HB 3369.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Louderback to close on HB 3369.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 3369 was left pending without objection.

**HB 54**

The chair laid out HB 54.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Gerdes to explain HB 54.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The hearing continued after midnight. The following actions occurred April 30, 2025.

The chair recognized Representative Gerdes to close on HB 54.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 54 was left pending without objection.

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**HB 2757**

The chair laid out HB 2757.

The chair recognized Representative Frank to explain HB 2757.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Frank to close on HB 2757.

HB 2757 was left pending without objection.

**HB 775**

The chair laid out HB 775.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair recognized Representative Frank to explain HB 775.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Frank to close on HB 775.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 775 was left pending without objection.

**HB 2336**

The chair laid out HB 2336.

The chair recognized Representative Allen to explain HB 2336.

(Representative Bernal in chair.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Buckley in chair.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Allen to close on HB 2336.

HB 2336 was left pending without objection.

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**HB 5515**

The chair laid out HB 5515.

The chair explained HB 5515.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair closed on HB 5515.

HB 5515 was left pending without objection.

**HB 5606**

The chair laid out HB 5606.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair explained HB 5606.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair closed on HB 5606.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 5606 was left pending without objection.

**SB 24**

The chair laid out SB 24.

The chair recognized Representative Leach to explain SB 24.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Leach to close on SB 24.

SB 24 was left pending without objection.

**HB 4**

The chair laid out HB 4.

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The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The chair explained HB 4.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

At approximately 2:34 am the Chair announced that testimony on remaining bills on the committee's agenda will close at 6:45am.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair closed on HB 4.

The committee substitute was withdrawn without objection.

HB 4 was left pending without objection.

**HB 4**

The chair laid out HB 4 as pending business.

The chair offered a complete committee substitute.

The committee substitute was adopted without objection.

The chair moved that HB 4, as substituted, be reported favorably to the full house with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion prevailed by the following record vote:

Ayes: Representatives Buckley; Bernal; Ashby; Bryant; Cunningham; Frank; Hinojosa; Hunter; Kerwin; Leach; Leo Wilson; Schoolcraft; Talarico (13).

Nays: None (0).

Present, Not Voting: None (0).

Absent: Representatives Allen; Dutton (2).

**SB 10**

The chair laid out SB 10.

The chair recognized Representative Noble to explain SB 10.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

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(Representative Bernal in chair.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Buckley in chair.)

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

The chair recognized Representative Noble to close on SB 10.

SB 10 was left pending without objection.

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At 6:11 a.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

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Rep. Buckley, Chair

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Jack Reed, Clerk