

Minutes: House Education

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 7:45 AM

Roll Call

Present: Rep. Arlint, Rep. Baxter, Rep. DeGroot, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Heermann, Rep. Ismay, Rep. Jordan, Rep. Manhart, Rep. Rice, Rep. Schwans, Rep. Stevens, Rep. Uhre-Balk, Rep. Jensen (Phil), and Rep. Greenfield  
Excused: Rep. Halverson

**The meeting was called to order by**

**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FRIDAY, JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>**

Moved by: Jensen (Phil)  
Second by: Arlint  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

Nathan Lukkes, South Dakota Board of Regents

**HB 1009 : provide for the creation and use of South Dakota educational empowerment accounts, and to provide a penalty therefor.**

Presented by: Representative Dylan Jordan

Proponents: Anthony Mirzayants, Young Americans for Liberty, Austin, TX  
Kathleen Puttmann, Self, Colton  
Florence K. Thompson, South Dakota Parents Involved in Education, Caputa  
Norman Woods, SD Family Voice Action, Rapid City  
Don Haggard, Americans For Prosperity, Ballston, VA  
Erica Douglas, Self, Spearfish  
Marc Harris, Self, Salem  
Amanda Schweitzer, Self, Rapid City  
John Dale, Self, Spearfish  
Kirstin Mitzel, Self, New Underwood

Opponents: Cole Uecker, Disability Rights South Dakota, Pierre  
Heath Larson, Associated School Boards of South Dakota, Pierre (Handout(s)  
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Rob Monson, School Administrators of South Dakota, Pierre  
Sandra Marie Waltman, South Dakota Education Association, Pierre  
Samuel J Nelson, Sioux Falls School District, Sioux Falls  
Samuel J Nelson, Rapid City School District, Rapid City  
Dianna Miller, Large School Group, Vermillion  
Grant Judson, Bureau of Finance and Management  
Mitch Richter, South Dakota United School Association, Milbank  
Nathan Sanderson, South Dakota Retailers Association, Pierre

**MOTION: AMEND HB 1009**

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On page 1, line 15, of the Introduced bill, after "student" delete " who will, during the ensuing school year, attend a nonpublic elementary or secondary school,"

On page 2, line 11, of the Introduced bill, after "supplies;

(4)" insert "Tutoring services;  
(5) "

On page 2, line 11, of the Introduced bill, after "therapies" insert the semicolon

On page 2, line 12, of the Introduced bill, delete "(5)" and insert "(6)"

On page 3, line 23, of the Introduced bill, after "account." insert "

A violation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor."

On page 3, line 29, of the Introduced bill, after "program." insert "

Upon a finding of ineligibility under this section, the student's account must be closed, and no other transactions may be allowed, or disbursements made. The department shall transfer, to the general fund, any money remaining in the account."

On page 4, line 1, of the Introduced bill, delete " its" and insert " the department's"

Moved by: Jensen (Phil)  
Second by: Manhart  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

**MOTION: DO PASS HB 1009 AS AMENDED**

Moved by: Manhart  
Second by: Jensen (Phil)  
Action: Was not acted on.

**MOTION: DEFER HB 1009 UNTIL WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

Moved by: Heermann  
Second by: DeGroot  
Action: Prevailed by roll call vote (9-5-1-0)

Voting Yes: Arlint, Baxter, Garcia, Heermann, Ismay, Rice, Schwans, Stevens, and Jensen (Phil)

Voting No: DeGroot, Jordan, Manhart, Uhre-Balk, and Greenfield

Excused: Halverson

**MOTION: ADJOURN**

Moved by: Jensen (Phil)  
Second by: Schwans  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

James Sapp, Committee Secretary

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/s/ LANA J. GREENFIELD  
Lana J. Greenfield, Chair