

Minutes: House Committee on Appropriations

Friday, February 20, 2026 9:00 AM

Roll Call

Present: Rep. Kassin, Rep. Kolbeck (Jack), Rep. Muckey, Rep. Sjaarda,
Rep. Jorgenson, Rep. Novstrup, and Rep. Derby

Absent: Rep. Moore

The meeting was called to order by Representative Derby

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

Moved by: Kolbeck (Jack)

Second by: Muckey

Action: Prevailed by voice vote

HB 1249 : amend provisions pertaining to the School Finance Accountability Board, and the process by which a recommendation of the board is approved.

Presented by: Representative Chris Kassin

Proponents: Jim Terwilliger, Bureau of Finance and Management
Rob L Monson, School Administrators of South Dakota
Dianna Miller, Large School Group
Ryan Rolfs, South Dakota Education Association

MOTION: AMEND HB 1249

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On page 3, line 2, of the Introduced bill, after "§ 13-13-73.9." insert "

The School Finance Accountability Board shall promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter 1-26, to establish the process by which a school district may request a waiver, pursuant to this section, and the factors that the board may consider in granting a waiver request from a school district. The factors must address the impact of employee retirements on the district."

On page 3, line 5, of the Introduced bill, after "13-73.6." delete "Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 1-45:"

On page 3, line 6, of the Introduced bill, after "1-45:" delete "The School Finance Accountability Board shall promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter 1-26, to establish:"

On page 3, line 8, of the Introduced bill, after "establish:" delete "(1) The process by which a school district may request a waiver, pursuant to § 13-13-73. 5 or 13-13-73. 9;

(2) The documentation that a school district must present in order to demonstrate that the district's failure to comply with § 13-13-73. 5, 13-13-73. 6, or 13-13-73. 8 was the result of special circumstances; and

(3) The factors that the board may use in determining whether a district's failure to comply with § 13-13-73. 5, 13-13-73. 6, or 13-13-73. 8 was the result of special circumstances.

Any factors established by the board pursuant to subdivision (3) must include the impact of the retirement of school district personnel on the district's general fund monthly cash balance and average teacher salary."

Moved by: Muckey

Second by: Jorgenson

Action: Prevailed by voice vote

MOTION: DO PASS HB 1249 AS AMENDED

Moved by: Jorgenson
Second by: Muckey
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (8-0-0-1)

Voting Yes: Auch, Kassin, Kolbeck (Jack), Muckey, Sjaarda, Jorgenson, Novstrup, and Derby

Absent: Moore

HAVING PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, THE CHAIR CERTIFIED HB 1249 AS UNCONTESTED AND AS SUCH BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

HB 1113 : establish a manufactured housing downpayment assistance program.

Presented by: Representative Mike Weisgram
Proponents: Jasper Diegel, South Dakota Manufactured Housing Association (Handout(s) 1)
Brandon Bolstad, Self
Michael Lee Bockorny, Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce
Michael Lee Bockorny, Aberdeen Development Corporation
Michael Lee Bockorny, Economic Development Professionals Association
Opponents: Tim Dougherty, South Dakota Home Builders Association
Others: Julie Bass, BankWest

THE CHAIR DEFERRED HB 1113

HB 1205 : amend the manner of calculating state aid to general and special education funding.

Presented by: Representative Nicole Uhre-Balk

MOTION: TO TABLE HB 1205

Moved by: Muckey
Second by: Kolbeck (Jack)
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (7-0-0-2)

Voting Yes: Kassin, Kolbeck (Jack), Muckey, Sjaarda, Jorgenson, Novstrup, and Derby

Absent: Auch and Moore

MOTION: ADJOURN

Moved by: Jorgenson
Second by: Kolbeck (Jack)
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

Joey Knofczynski, Committee Secretary

/s/ MIKE DERBY
Mike Derby, Chair