

**K-12 Education Budget Division**

**Tuesday, March 8, 2005**

**9:00 a.m. Room 112 - State Capitol**

**Members Present**

Senator L. Stumpf  
Senator E. Anderson  
Senator M. Fischbach  
Senator D. Gaither  
Senator D. Hann  
Senator D. Johnson  
Senator M. Jungbauer  
Senator S. Kelley  
Senator K. Langseth  
Senator S. Marko  
Senator S. Nienow  
Senator G. Olson  
Senator T. Saxhaug  
Senator L. Scheid  
Senator W. Skoglund  
Senator D. Sparks  
Senator B. Wergin  
Senator C. Wiger

**Members Excused**

Senator Stumpf called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

The committee continued their discussion of the governor budget proposal S.F. 1278.


Commissioner Seagren and department staff walked members through the bill. There was discussion on district referendum revenue, a program facilitating administrative cooperation among school districts and the governor's "Get Ready, Get Credit" initiative. There was also a discussion of a proposal to link driver's licenses to school attendance.

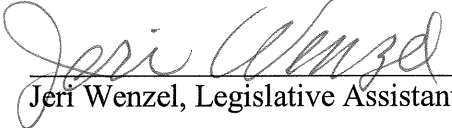
Testifying were:

Commissioner Alice Seagren  
Dr. Tom Melcher  
Tom Deans – MSBA  
Patricia Olson – DOE  
Mari Kay Litzau - DOE

Amendment – A05-0155 was presented to the committee. No vote was taken because technically the bill is not in division, but in the Education policy and therefore, can't be voted on.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m. The proceedings were taped and the materials distributed are attached to these minutes.

  
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Senator LeRoy Stumpf  
Chairman

  
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Jeri Wenzel, Legislative Assistant

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### **AGENDA**

S.F. XXXX-Olson: Governor's budget bill

Commissioner Alice Seagren - Department of Education

Dr. Tom Melcher – Department of Education

Senator LeRoy Stumpf  
Chairman

Jeri Wenzel  
Legislative Assistant