

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

March 11, 2025
01:00 PM

Hearing Room H-174

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Janeen Sollman, Co-Chair
Sen. Lew Frederick
Sen. Suzanne Weber

Rep. Ricki Ruiz, Co-Chair
Rep. Susan McLain
Rep. Boomer Wright
Rep. Dwayne Yunker

MEMBER(S) EXCUSED:

Rep. Hoa Nguyen

STAFF PRESENT:

Wendy Gibson, Legislative Fiscal Office
Lizzie Lohrer, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS:

Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

00:00:26 [Meeting Called to Order](#)
00:00:27 Representative Ruiz, Presiding Co-Chair
00:00:44 Wendy Gibson, Legislative Fiscal Office

00:01:08 [SB 5515 & SB 5516 Department of Education](#)
00:01:23 Wendy Gibson, Legislative Fiscal Office
00:01:37 Tenneal Wetherell, Chief of Staff, Department of Education
00:02:28 Alexa Pearson, Assistant Superintendent, Office of Teaching and Learning,
Department of Education

00:09:12 Co-Chair Ruiz
00:09:18 Sen. Frederick
00:09:26 Ms. Pearson
00:09:40 Co-Chair Ruiz
00:09:57 Ms. Pearson
00:10:30 Co-Chair Sollman
00:10:51 Ms. Pearson

00:11:04 Co-Chair Sollman
00:11:07 Ms. Pearson
00:21:28 Rep. McLain
00:24:07 Ms. Pearson
00:27:03 Co-Chair Sollman
00:27:49 Ms. Wetherell
00:29:46 Co-Chair Sollman
00:31:31 Ms. Wetherell
00:32:38 Co-Chair Sollman
00:34:06 Ms. Wetherell
00:35:33 Sen. Frederick
00:36:39 Ms. Pearson
00:37:20 Sen. Frederick
00:37:58 Rep. McLain
00:38:52 Sen. Weber
00:39:45 Co-Chair Ruiz
00:42:08 Rep. Wright
00:43:38 Ms. Wetherell
00:55:20 Rep. Wright
00:56:50 Ms. Wetherell
00:58:50 Rep. McLain
01:00:26 Co-Chair Sollman
01:01:24 Ms. Wetherell
01:03:01 Co-Chair Sollman
01:03:39 Sen. Frederick
01:05:08 Co-Chair Ruiz
01:05:33 Ms. Pearson
01:06:56 Ms. Wetherell
01:08:13 Rep. Wright
01:09:03 Co-Chair Ruiz
01:09:14 Ms. Wetherell
01:09:53 Co-Chair Ruiz
01:10:22 Mike Wiltfong, Director of School Finance, Department of Education
01:10:32 Vanessa Clark, State School Fund Program Manager, Department of Education
01:10:40 Mr. Wiltfong
01:17:23 Sen. Weber
01:17:41 Mr. Wiltfong
01:18:18 Sen. Weber
01:18:31 Mr. Wiltfong
01:19:16 Ms. Clark
01:22:20 Co-Chair Ruiz
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01:26:37 Rep. Yunker
01:27:11 Co-Chair Sollman
01:27:56 Mr. Wiltfong
01:28:02 Co-Chair Sollman
01:28:28 Co-Chair Ruiz
01:28:54 Ms. Gibson

01:28:58 [Meeting Adjourned](#)