

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Friday, February 09, 2024

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW41

MEMBERS: Chairman Yamamoto, Vice Chairman McCann, Representatives Boyle, Clow, Mendive, Ehardt, Wisniewski, Garner, Hawkins, Hill, Lanting, Nelsen, Price, Sauter, Berch, Galaviz, Mathias

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Reps. Boyle, Ehardt, Hill

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chair Yamamoto called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

MOTION: **Rep. Sauter** made a motion to approve minutes for the February 6 and February 7, 2024 meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 31278: **Rep. Mathias** presented **RS 31278**, which attempts to begin to reduce the risk that kids who are bullied pose to themselves and others. Districts are required to report how many incidents of harassment, intimidation and bullying occur in their district. These reports vary widely, and the majority of districts reported no incidents. This proposed legislation would update the reporting requirements and would not go into effect until July 1, 2025 in order to modify out of date definitions of harassment, intimidation, and bullying in statute by next session.

MOTION: **Rep. Lanting** made a motion to introduce **RS 31278**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Chair Yamamoto announced the committee will hear **RS 31248** on Monday or Tuesday.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:08 am.

Representative Yamamoto
Chair

Monica Anderson
Secretary