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## MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The meeting was called to order by Senator Jean Schodorf, Chairperson, at 1:30 pm on March 6, 2012 in Room 152-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Sharon Wenger, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Laura Jurgensen, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Eunice Peters, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner, Kansas Department of Education  
Ann Deitcher, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee.

Diane Lindeman, Kansas Board of Regents

### **HB 2435 – providing career technical workforce grant for certain technical education programs.**

Eunice Peters explained **HB 2435** to the Committee .

The Chair introduced Diane Lindeman who spoke in opposition to **HB 2435**. (Attachment 1).

Questions and answers followed.

Written only copies in support of **HB 2435** were distributed from Chad Austin, Ks Hospital Association and Rachel Monger, Leading Age Kansas, (Attachments 2 and 3).

A fiscal note on **HB 2435** was distributed. (Attachment 4).

The hearing was closed on **HB 2435**.

**HB 2477 – Substitute for HB 2477 – by Committee on Education compulsory school attendance law plan; defining education alternatives.**

Jason Long explained HB 2477 to the Committee.

Mark Tallman appeared as a proponent for HB 2477. (Attachment 5).

Written only testimony from Representative Pat Colloton in support of HB 2477 was distributed. (Attachment 6).

The hearing on HB 2477 was closed.

Also distributed were copies of the Kansas Commission on Graduation and Dropout Prevention and Recovery Final Report from January 2011. (Attachment 7).

A report on Compulsory Attendance Requirements for a child 16 or 17 years of age was provided by Dale Dennis. (Attachment 8).

Copies of the Allen, Gibbs & Houlik report regarding the issue of school finance unencumbered cash balances were provided by Mark Tallman. (Attachment 9).

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2012.