

UEA Releases 1999 Legislative Voting Records

During the 1999 Legislative Session, the UEA Lobby Team tracked hundreds of bills that impacted education. This summary highlights eight bills that were voted on in the House and/or Senate that most dramatically affected our schools and teachers.

It is important to note that a voting record is but one of several items used to evaluate legislators. Voting records do not explain why a legislator voted a certain way and do not necessarily reflect the “politics” that may have played a part in a legislator’s decision. The UEA therefore encourages you to contact your legislators directly to ask them why they voted the way they did on an issue.

Legislative action cannot be limited to just 45 days every January and February—educators need to be involved year-round in order to hold our elected officials accountable for addressing the needs of public education. Call, write, or e-mail your State Representative and State Senator to express your opinion on education issues—let them know the challenges you face in the classroom every day and thank them for their efforts. Only through consistent political action by all teachers, will we be able to successfully promote quality public education in Utah.

HB 3 (N. Stephens) **MINIMUM SCHOOL PROGRAM ACT AMENDMENTS**—Motion to Amend by L. Frandsen

UEA position: Support *Amendment Failed House (33-41-1)*

Would have provided \$50 million to reduce class sizes, fund staff development, and provide adequate textbooks for all students.

HB 9 (R. Bigelow) **FUNDING CLASSROOM SUPPLIES**

UEA position: Support *Bill Passed House (67-0-8) and Senate (26-0-3)*

Provides a \$3.75 million appropriation for teacher classroom supplies and materials (about \$150 per teacher).

HB 85 (D. Bourdeaux) **COMPULSORY EDUCATION/TRUANCY AMENDMENTS**

UEA position: Support *Bill Passed House (41-27-7) and Senate (18-9-2)*

Establishes consequences and a faster response to students who are habitual truants. Parents who refuse to work with the school to resolve the problem can be charged with a Class B misdemeanor and fined.

HB 120 (B. Wright) **CAREER LADDER PERFORMANCE AWARDS**

UEA position: Oppose *Bill Failed House (29-43-3)*

Would have retained 15% of career ladder money until a school demonstrated student academic progress and parental involvement.

HB 176 (R. Short) **INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR SALES AND USE TAXES PAID ON FOOD**

UEA position: Oppose *Bill Failed but Passed House (42-31-2)*

Would have reduced state revenue by \$45 million by providing a \$20 individual income tax credit to offset food sales tax.

SB 22 (M. Waddoups) **TAXES ON FOOD**

UEA position: Oppose *Bill Failed but Passed Senate (20-9-0)*

Would have reduced state revenue by \$155 million by repealing the sales tax on food beginning in 2002.

SB 122 (M. Waddoups) **AMENDMENTS FOR DANGEROUS WEAPONS**—Motion to Amend by D. Jones

UEA position: Support *Amendment Failed House (17-47-11)*

Would have banned concealed weapons from schools.

SB 146 (L. Hillyard) **UTAH ORDERLY TERMINATION PROCEDURES ACT**—Motion to Amend by R. Bigelow

UEA position: Support *Amendment Failed House (36-36-3)*

Would have removed requirement to work at least 1/2 time in order to obtain career employee status.

Symbol Key: ✓ Supported UEA's position ✗ Opposed UEA's position ◇ Absent

Representative	HB 3	HB 9	HB 85	HB 120	HB 176	SB 122	SB 146	✓-✗-◇	Representative, cont.	HB 3	HB 9	HB 85	HB 120	HB 176	SB 122	SB 146	✓-✗-◇
Adair, Gerry	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	2-5-0	Hendrickson, Neal	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0
Alexander, Jeff	✗	◇	◇	✗	✓	✗	✗	1-4-2	Hickman, Bill	✗	✓	◇	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-5-1
Allen, Sheryl	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	6-1-0	Hogue, Dave	✗	✓	✓	◇	✗	◇	✗	2-3-2
Anderson, Eli	✓	◇	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	4-2-1	Holdaway, Kory	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	◇	✓	5-1-1
Arent, Patrice	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Holladay, Bryan	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	◇	✓	4-2-1
Baca, Loretta	✓	◇	✗	✓	✓	◇	✓	4-1-2	Iverson, Dennis	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Beck, Trisha	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Johnson, Brad	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	◇	✗	1-5-1
Becker, Ralph	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Johnson, Keele	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	4-3-0
Bennion, Chad	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	4-3-0	Jones, Dave	◇	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6-0-1
Bigelow, Ron	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	4-3-0	King, Brad	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	◇	✓	6-0-1
Biskupski, Jackie	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Koehn, Susan	✗	✓	◇	◇	✗	✗	◇	1-3-3
Bourdeaux, Duane	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Lockhart, Becky	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Bowman, Bud	✗	✓	◇	✓	✗	✗	✓	3-3-1	Morgan, Karen	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	◇	✓	6-0-1
Bradshaw, Afton	✓	✓	✓	✓	◇	✓	✓	6-0-1	Murray, Joe	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	5-2-0
Brown, Mel	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0	Nelson, Lowell	✗	◇	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	1-5-1
Bryson, Katherine	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0	Olsen, Evan	✗	◇	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	0-6-1
Buckner, Perry	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	5-2-0	Pace, Loraine	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	3-4-0
Buffimire, Judy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	6-1-0	Rowan, Tammy	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Bush, Don	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	2-5-0	Saunders, Carl	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	4-3-0
Buttars, Craig	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0	Seitz, Jack	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	2-5-0
Carlson, Mary	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Short, Ray	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	◇	3-3-1
Chard, Blake	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	2-5-0	Shurtliff, Lou	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0
Cox, Dave	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	◇	✓	6-0-1	Siddoway, Dick	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0
Cox, Gary	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Snow, Gordon	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	2-5-0
Curtis, Greg	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	◇	✗	3-3-1	Snow, Marlon	✗	✓	◇	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-5-1
Dayton, Margaret	✗	◇	✗	✗	✓	✗	◇	1-4-2	Stephens, Marty	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	2-5-0
Dillree, Marda	✗	✓	◇	◇	✗	✗	✗	1-4-2	Stephens, Nora	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Duckworth, Carl	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	5-2-0	Styler, Michael	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	5-2-0
Ferry, Ben	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	2-5-0	Swallow, John	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Fife, Fred	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Tanner, Jordan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	5-2-0
Frandsen, Lloyd	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	6-1-0	Throckmorton, Matt	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Garn, Kevin	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	2-5-0	Tyler, Lamont	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0
Gladwell, David	✗	◇	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	2-4-1	Ure, David	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	2-5-0
Goodfellow, Brent	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	◇	✓	5-1-1	Walsh, Richard	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Gowans, Jim	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	6-1-0	Way, Glenn	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-6-0
Hansen, Neil	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7-0-0	Wright, Bill	✗	✓	◇	✗	✗	✗	✗	1-5-1
Harper, Wayne	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	◇	✗	2-4-1	Zolman, David	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	3-4-0
Hatch, Tom	✗	◇	✓	✗	◇	✗	✗	1-4-2									

Senator	HB 9	HB 85	SB 22	✓-✗-◇
Allen, Ed	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Allen, Ron	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Beattie, Lane	✓	✗	✓	2-1-0
Blackham, Leonard	◇	✓	✓	2-0-1
Davis, Gene	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Dmitrich, Mike	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Evans, Bev	✓	✓	✓	3-0-0
Evans, Mont	◇	✗	✗	0-2-1
Hale, Karen	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Hellewell, Parley	✓	✗	✗	1-2-0
Hillyard, Lyle	✓	✓	✓	3-0-0
Howell, Scott	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Hull, Joe	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Jones, Lorin	✓	✓	✓	3-0-0
Julander, Paula	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Knudson, Pete	✓	✓	✓	3-0-0
Mansell, Al	✓	◇	✗	1-1-1
Mayne, Ed	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Montgomery, Bob	✓	✓	✓	3-0-0
Muhlestein, Robert	✓	✗	✗	1-2-0
Nielson, Howard	✓	✗	✗	1-2-0
Peterson, Millie	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Poulton, Steve	◇	✗	✗	0-2-1
Spencer, Terry	✓	✗	✓	2-1-0
Steele, Dave	✓	✓	✓	3-0-0
Stephenson, Howard	✓	✗	✗	1-2-0
Suazo, Pete	✓	✓	✗	2-1-0
Valentine, John	✓	◇	✗	1-1-1
Waddoups, Michael	✓	✗	✗	1-2-0