

1999 SENATE EDUCATION

SCR 4016

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4016

Senate Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 2/2/99

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		X	790-1790
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Jinda Christman</i>			

Minutes:

Senate Education Committee opened the hearing on SCR 4016.

SENATOR Holmberg introduced the resolution. SCR4016 is straightforward and simple.

Allow up to two members who have a bachelors degree from any one institution.

SENATOR COOK: I am also a sponsor of this bill.

Jeannette Satrom, VP of the State Board of Education spoke in favor. Proposed an amendment to language in the state constitution to enlarge the pool of candidates interested in serving on the Board of Higher Education.

Closed hearing on SCR 4016.

SENATOR COOK: Move for a Do Pass on SCR 4016.

SENATOR FLAKOLL: 2nd.

Vote: 6 (yes) 0 (no) 1 absent. CARRIER: SENATOR COOK

Date: 2/2/99
Roll Call Vote #: _____

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4016

Senate EDUCATION Committee

Subcommittee on _____
or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Move for a Do Pass ^{con} on current resolution

Motion Made By Cook Seconded By Flakoll

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Freborg, Chairman	✓				
Senator Cook, Vice Chairman	✓				
Senator Flakoll	✓				
Senator Wanzek					
Senator Kelsh	✓				
Senator O'Connell	✓				
Senator Redlin	✓				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent _____

Floor Assignment Cook

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 2, 1999 4:59 p.m.

Module No: SR-21-1730
Carrier: Cook
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4016: Education Committee (Sen. Freborg, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS**
(6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4016 was placed on the
Eleventh order on the calendar.

1999 HOUSE EDUCATION

SCR 4016

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4016

House Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 3-15-99

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
Tape # 1	x		0.1 to 8.5
Tape # 2	x		19.5 to 22.8
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Joan Davis</i>			

Minutes:

Chairman R Kelsch , Vice Chair Drovdal , Rep Brandenburg , Rep Brusegaard , Rep Haas , Rep Johnson , Rep Nelson , Rep Nottestad , Rep L Thoreson , Rep Grumbo , Rep. Hanson , Rep. Lundgren , Rep. Mueller , Rep. Nowatzki , Rep. Solberg .

Chairman R Kelsch : We will open the hearing on SCR 4016 and ask the clerk to read the title.

Sen Holmberg: District 17. This bill, put in at the request of the board of higher education, deals with membership on the state board of higher education. Currently the constitution provides that no more then one person holding a bachelor's degree from a particular institution may serve on the board of higher education at any one time. This resolution would ask the citizens of North Dakota if we could have more than one person holding a bachelor's degree from a state institution and that is the only change.

Rep. Nowatzki : I think this is a good one and should remove more restriction We should stress geographic balances within the state. This would serve the public interest better. I would be interested in knowing what you think of that idea.

Holmberg: You are right on. There is a statute that deals with commissions, where the governor shall take into account the tender balance and geographic balance. There is also the unwritten and unstated proviso that the governor is under political pressure to make sure that the board is balanced.

Rep. Nowatzki : You wouldn't object if we were to attempt an amendment that would say that the governor should consider the balance when making the nominations?

Holmberg: I don't know if that needs to be in the constitution, certainly that would be a decision within this committee. It is already a statutory requirement that the governor view geographic balance.

Rep Brusegaard : To get the representation to match the population of the state is not always geographic dispersed.

Holmberg: That is why the governor has the leeway.

Chairman R Kelsch : Anyone else who wishes to testify in support of SCR 4016?

Pat Seaworth: I am here appearing on behalf of the board of higher education and university system. Handed out prepared testimony of Jeanette Satrom, Vice President of the board. Mrs Satrom was unable to be here today.

Chairman R Kelsch : Any question, seeing none, thank you. Anyone else who wishes to appear in support of SCR 4016? Anyone wishing to speak in opposition to SCR 4016? Seeing none, we will close the hearing on SCR 4016.

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House Education Committee
Bill/Resolution Number Scr 4016
Hearing Date 3-15-99

COMMITTEE ACTION

Chairman R Kelsch : We will take up SCR 4016. What are the wishes of the committee? This is a constitutional revision.

Rep Nottestad : Move a DO PASS.

Rep. Nowatzki : seconded the motion.

Chairman R Kelsch : Committee discussion. We will ask the clerk to call the roll on a DO PASS motion. The motion passes 14 YES 1 NO 0 Absent floor assignment Rep Nottestad .

Date: 3-15-99
Roll Call Vote #: 1

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4014

House Education Committee

Subcommittee on _____
or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Nottstad Seconded By Nowatzki

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Rep. ReaAnn Kelsch-Chairperson	✓		Rep. Dorvan Solberg	✓	
Rep. David Drovdal-Vice Chair	✓				
Rep. Michael D. Brandenburg		✓			
Rep. Thomas T. Brusegaard	✓				
Rep. C. B. Haas	✓				
Rep. Dennis E. Johnson	✓				
Rep. Jon O. Nelson	✓				
Rep. Darrell D. Nottstad	✓				
Rep. Laurel Thoreson	✓				
Rep. Howard Grumbo	✓				
Rep. Lyle Hanson	✓				
Rep. Deb Lundgren	✓				
Rep. Phillip Mueller	✓				
Rep. Robert E. Nowatzki	✓				

Total (Yes) 14 No 1

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Nottstad

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 15, 1999 3:39 p.m.

Module No: HR-46-4827
Carrier: Nottestad
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4016: Education Committee (Rep. R. Kelsch, Chairman) recommends DO PASS
(14 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4016 was placed on the
Fourteenth order on the calendar.

1999 TESTIMONY

SCR 4016



NORTH DAKOTA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Testimony of Jeanette Satrom, Vice President
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SCR 4016
Senate Education Committee
February 2, 1999

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