



# LEGISLATIVE WATCHLIST

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<span>S</span>	<span>H</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>H</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 241</a>	<b>Early Literacy</b>	Establishes a framework of literacy interventions in K-3 within public education	Millner (5)	Intro	2/3
<span>W</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 164</a>	<b>School Construction Amendments</b>	Transfers oversight of public school construction to Division of Facilities Construction and Management Division	Wilson (2)	Floor	2/9
<span>S</span>	<span>H</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>H</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 186</a>	<b>Charter School Base Funding Amendments</b>	Establishes a charter school base funding study and creates a charter school educational service agency.	Balderree (22)	Floor	1/30
<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 131</a>	<b>Charter School Eligibility</b>	Establishes an enrollment preference point for students located within the boundaries of a political subdivision (i.e. city, county). Important note for potential CSP applicants - applying this eligibility preference would not allow you to apply for the CSP grant.	Balderree (22)	H-CM	2/20
<span>S</span>	<span>M</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>M</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 253</a>	<b>Library Materials Amendments</b>	This bill enacts provisions related to requirements in a public school library.	McKell (25)	S-CM	2/5
<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 88</a>	<b>School Technology Amendments</b>	Permits a parent to monitor student's internet activity and content on school-managed device	Fillmore (17)	H-CM	2/5
<span>W</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 69 - S1</a>	<b>School Device Revisions</b>	Establishes the default standar device use from prohibited instructional time to prohibited during the school day.	Fillmore (17)	H-CM	2/5
<span>S</span>	<span>H</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>H</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 272</a>	<b>Transportation Funding Revisions</b>	Amends provisions to allow a charter school to be eligible for state transportation funding on a certain date and requires public education appropriations a study charter school transportation costs	Balderree (22)	Fail	2/18
<span>W</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 106</a>	<b>Educator Compensation Amendments</b>	This bill amends a provision that ties the amount of the educator salary adjustment to the operation of the Utah Fits All Scholarship Program.	Kwan (12)	Intro	1/26
<span>W</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 58 - S3</a>	Public School Attendance Amendments (Amendment #1)	Strengthens statewide attendance monitoring, requires LEAs to use improved tracking and intervention programs, sets performance standards for attendance enforcement, creates data-quality rules for reporting, allows School LAND Trust funds to support chronic-absenteeism interventions	Fillmore (17)	Rules	2/10
<span>W</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 51</a>	School Safety Modications	Creates a statewide system for sharing student-threat information, sets reporting rules for LEAs, protects student privacy, outlines how data is handled, provides immunity for good-faith reporting, and makes technical updates.	Owens (27)	H-CM	2/5
<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 85 S1</a>	Excellence in Education & Leadership Supplement Modifications	Amends to expand access to the performance-based teacher award program; broadens eligibility for the award program and provides a process for teachers employed in non-participating LEA to be considered for an award.	Fillmore (17)	Floor	2/4
<span>O</span>	<span>L</span>	<span>S</span>	<span>L</span>	<a href="#">S.B. 189 - S1</a>	School District Funding Amendments	Creates a high growth district grant program - establishes criteria for school districts experiencing significant enrollment growth and provides special provisions for newly created or reorganized school districts.	Buss (11)	Floor	2/9



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				<a href="#">S.B. 296</a>	Student Consent Amendments	Enacts provisions related to a student's educational data and informed consent; enacts certain rights to a student and their data and requires State Board and Utah Board of Higher Education to issue best practices.	Cullimore (19)	Intro	2/16
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 56</a>	Citizenship Education Amendments	Requires schools to provide legal awareness information to 10th grade students, while it permits schools flexibility in how they deliver the information, it does require an LEA to maintain a current and accurate list of legal awareness information (i.e. voting, jury duty and legal representation, taxes, debt, personal information rights and more)	Riebe (15)	Fail	1/29
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 62</a>	School Funding Amendments	Modifies the WPU formula to determine total units to account for positive or negative growth based on school year's student count (applies to district and charters). Bill proposes the funding stay with the highest count (Oct 1 or Previous year)	Fillmore (17)	Floor	2/9
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 107</a>	Education Legislation Advisory Commission Amendments	Creates a legislation advisory commission	Stratton (24)	Floor	2/9
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 119</a>	School & Classroom Amendments	Establishes an additional conditional use of Public Education Economic Stabilization Restricted Account - accounts for fluctuation in federal tax policy changes to fund Minimum School Program. Essentially this means If federal tax changes cause the state's Income Tax Fund (which pays for schools) to drop by an amount that's as big as or bigger than what's needed to cover enrollment growth (more students) and inflation (higher costs), then this rule applies. Also has provisions to require students to meet personal care independence standards, regardless of grade level (also recognizes qualifying conditions); and provides reporting on curriculum development and implementation.	Fillmore (17)	Floor	1/22
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 159</a>	Dyslexia Screening Amendments	Requires dyslexia screening for certain students in public schools	Riebe (15)	Intro	1/23
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 167</a>	Reintegration for Disciplined Students	Modifies provision related to reintegrations and enrollment of students with disciplinary issues - modifies timelines and requirements (student records, plans for students with serious offenses and modifies grounds for denying open enrollment applications)	McCay (18)	Floor	2/9
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 168</a>	School Attendance Amendments	School Attendance Amendments	Plumb (9)	Intro	1/27
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 169</a>	High School Graduation Amendments	Ensures students meeting graduation requirements can participate in graduation	Plumb (9)	Intro	1/20
	W		L	<a href="#">S.B. 180 - SI</a>	School Nutrition Amendments	Amends funding and eligibility of school lunch program - pulls from state liquor tax to support the meal program; expands the definition of eligible student	Escamilla (10)	Floor	2/12



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W	L	<a href="#">S.B. 181</a>	School Discipline Amendments	Established minimum safety standards for seclusions rooms in schools and creates a one-time grant to help LEA bring existing rooms into compliance	Escamilla (10)	S-CM	1/22
W	L	<a href="#">S.B. 77 - S1</a>	Dual Language Immersion Amendments	Amends concurrent enrollment courses for accelerated foreign language students	McCay (18)	Floor	1/26
W	L	<a href="#">S.B. 34 - S2</a>	Public Education Revisions	Appoints state superintendent as the superintendent of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind; and changes language for student reintegration from district to LEA.	Johnson (3)	Floor	2/6
W	L	<a href="#">S.B. 244</a>	Cardiac Emergency Response Plans	Establishes requirements for cardiac emergency response plans in schools	Stevenson (6)	Floor	2/12
W	L	<a href="#">S.B. 267</a>	Software in Education Amendments	This bill amends provisions and programs regarding the operation of the public education system	Cullimore (19)	S-CM	2/19
N	L	<a href="#">S.B. 268</a>	Religious Curriculum in Schools	Amends education curricula requirements relating to religious liberty	Weiler (8)	Floor	2/17
W	L	<a href="#">S.B. 295</a>	Intellectual Diversity in Education and Government	Amends and enacts provisions regarding intellectual diversity within the public and higher education systems and state government.	Johnson (3)	S-CM	2/16
W	L	<a href="#">S.B. 294</a>	Student Achievement Backpack	Amends provisions regarding the Student Achievement Backpack - adds specific requirements and criteria	Fillmore (17)	Intro	2/13