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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barbara Lawrence at 9:00 a.m. on January 14, 1997 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department

Carolyn Rampey, Legislative Research Department

Avis Swartzman, Revisor of Statutes Jackie Breymeyer, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

Chairperson Lawrence called the meeting to order. Committee members and staff introduced themselves. Chairperson Lawrence also called upon others present at the meeting who were affiliated with education to introduce themselves.

The Chairperson commented on <u>SB 4</u>, which has been assigned to the Senate Education Committee. It deals with several financial aspects of education and will be taken up in Committee soon. Other items commented upon were the local option budget problem, which will have to be addressed this year, teachers' due process, and the State Board of Education question.

Some of the Committee members voiced their wishes on items they would like to see addressed. Getting input from some of the former persons who appeared before the Committee prior to this session was also suggested.

The Committee will meet Wednesday, for bill introduction. Rules and a seating chart will be distributed.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 15, 1997.