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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Representative Ralph Tanner at 9:00 a.m. on March 7, 2000 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

A quorum was present

Committee staff present:

Avis Swartzman, Revisor of Statutes

Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department Carolyn Rampey, Legislative Research Department

Renae Jefferies, Revisor of Statutes Linda Taylor, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See Attached List

Members of the committee participated in a discussion on HB 2591 - State education technology network (KAN-ED) is established.

Chairman Tanner made brief remarks concerning his informal meeting with members of the telecommunications industries the previous afternoon.

Members of the committee expressed concerns about the accessibility of pornographic materials through the network and the possibility of some sort of monitoring system being implemented.

Representative Morrison presented members of the committee with a proposed amendment to **HB 2591**. (Attachment 1)

Committee members also expressed concerns about site selection, the involvement of DISC, funding, site equity regardless of size and geographic location, and time constraints.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2000.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30.

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Responses to proposed amendments and modifications to HB2591:

Section 1

(b) 2. DISC has no problem with striking this provision

- new 2. DISC has concerns since the language prohibits future technology developments with voice. These developments might benefit KAN-ED services, such as for voice over IP.
 - 8. Omitting this provision strikes at the heart of the basic vision and intent of KAN-ED. KAN-ED should reside on the forward edge of technology, to remove #8 is to remove the philosophy that KAN-ED will be and shall remain the domain of next generation technology.

Section 2

(b) 1. We interpret this to be in keeping that KAN-ED will utilize existing telecommunications resources by aggregation of the assets that are already in place and enhance the project by adding new assets only when necessary.

2. Further clarification will be needed to understand this provision fully. However, as envisioned, KAN-ED will be managed within state government through the Network Control Center and the state backbone, both administered by DISC.

3. Add; ...or implied by this act.

4. We agree that preference should be given if it is within a fair and equitable bidding process. KSA 75-4713 covers this process and we are fine with 4713 being included.

House Education 3-7-00 Attachment 1