

2021 HOUSE EDUCATION

HB 1210

2021 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Education Committee
Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

HB 1210
1/18/2021

To provide for a legislative management study of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by teachers in the state for classroom school supplies and the feasibility and desirability of creating a teacher reimbursement program.

Chairman Owens called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Roll call: Present: Reps. Owens, Schreiber-Beck, Heinert, Hoverson, D. Johnson, M. Johnson, Longmuir, Marschall, Pyle, Richter, Zubke, Hager and Guggisberg. Absent : Rep. Simons.

Discussion Topics:

- Tax credit to match the one on the federal level
- Data collection
- Local, district issue versus state involvement
- Teachers average out of pocket expense
- Survey of membership
- North Dakota United study consideration

Rep. M. Ruby presented HB 1188.

Nick Archuleta, North Dakota United, in favor of bill, #1537

Travis Zablotney, citizen, testified in opposition.

Additional Written testimony:

Leon Dietrich, #978

Closed hearing on bill at 2:15 PM

Bev Monroe, Committee Clerk



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**Testimony on HB 1210
House Education Committee
January 18, 2021**

Chairman Owens and members of the Committee, for the record, my name is Nick Archuleta, and I am the president of North Dakota United. I am happy to rise today to urge a DO PASS recommendation for HB 1210.

Mr. Chairman, HB 1210, introduced by Representative Matt Ruby and others, is a very straight forward bill that will study the feasibility and desirability of creating a plan to reimburse teachers for out-of-pocket expenditures that enhance the learning of their students.

On average, Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, teachers in the United States spend \$500 dollars on materials for their classrooms. These items may be books, manipulatives, or any number of things that make learning easier and more fun for their students. When Rep. Ruby introduced a bill that would provide for reimbursement last session, there were some unknowns that complicated the bill.

HB 1210, if passed, would provide an opportunity to determine whether such a plan is in order or not. For that reason, Chairman Owens, and members of the Committee, I urge a DO PASS recommendation for HB 1210.

I am happy to stand for questions.

HB 1210
House Education Committee
January 18, 2021

My name is Leon Dietrich. I work have worked for the Bismarck School District for 34 years. I know when teachers come back in the Fall, they spend a lot of time and money on their classrooms getting things ready for the kids. They buy, out of their own money, notebooks for spelling, things for bulletin boards, and supplies for activities.

I support the study to look at the personal money teachers spend and how we can pay them back for the things they buy for their classrooms. Please pass this bill.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

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2021 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Education Committee
Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

HB 1210
1/19/2021

A study of out of pocket costs incurred by teachers in the state for classroom supplies

Chairman Owens opened the hearing with committee work at 9:00 AM.

Discussion Topics:

- Shall “consider” a study
- Language barriers
- Districts inclusion
- Specific supplies

Rep. Hoverson made a motion for a Do Pass on HB 1210, seconded by **Rep. Heinert**.

Roll call vote

.Representatives	Vote
Representative Mark S. Owens	Y
Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck	Y
Representative Ron Guggisberg	Y
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	Y
Representative Pat D. Heinert	Y
Representative Jeff A. Hoverson	Y
Representative Dennis Johnson	Y
Representative Mary Johnson	Y
Representative Donald Longmuir	N
Representative Andrew Marschall	N
Representative Brandy Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Luke Simons	N
Representative Denton Zubke	N

Motion carried 10-4-0, with **Rep, Heinert** as carrier.

Chairman Owens closed the hearing at 9:16 AM.

Bev Monroe, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1210: Education Committee (Rep. Owens, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (10 YEAS, 4 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1210 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2021 SENATE EDUCATION

HB 1210

2021 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Education Committee
Room JW216, State Capitol

HB 1210
2/17/2021

For a study of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by teachers for classroom supplies and the feasibility and desirability of creating a teacher reimbursement program.

Chair Schaible opened the hearing at 9:00 a.m.

Discussion Topics:

- Reimbursement for teacher expenses

Rep Matt Ruby introduced the bill.

Nick Archuleta – ND United – testified in support #6792

Senator	Attendance
Chairman Schaible	P
Senator Elkin	P
Senator Conley	P
Senator Lemm	P
Senator Oban	P
Senator Wobbema	p

Adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Lynn Wolf, Committee Clerk



#6792

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**Testimony on HB 1210
Senate Education Committee
February 17, 2021**

Chairman Schaible and members of the Committee, for the record, my name is Nick Archuleta, and I am the president of North Dakota United. I am happy to rise today to urge a DO PASS recommendation for HB 1210.

Mr. Chairman, HB 1210, introduced by Representative Matt Ruby and others, is a very straight forward bill that will study the feasibility and desirability of creating a plan to reimburse teachers for out-of-pocket expenditures that enhance the learning of their students.

On average, Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, teachers in the United States spend \$500 dollars on materials for their classrooms. These items may be books, manipulatives, or any number of things that make learning easier and more fun for their students. When Rep. Ruby introduced a bill that would provide for reimbursement last session, there were some unknowns that complicated the bill.

At ND United, we believe in making decisions based on reliable data, not on preconceived notions. HB 1210, if passed, would provide the data necessary to inform the legislature whether a plan to reimburse teachers for out-of-pocket expenses is necessary and feasible. For that reason, members of the Committee, I urge a DO PASS recommendation for HB 1210.

I am happy to stand for questions.

2021 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Education Committee
Room JW216, State Capitol

HB 1210
2/17/2021

A bill for a study of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by teachers for classroom school supplies and the feasibility and desirability of creating a teacher reimbursement program.

Chair Schaible called to order at 9:55 a.m.

Discussion Topics:

- Committee work

Sen Wobbema: I move a **Do Pass**

Sen Lemm: I second

Roll Call Vote - 6-0-0 Motion Passed

Sen Wobbema will carry the bill

Adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Lynn Wolf, Committee Clerk

Senator	Attendance
Chairman Schaible	P
Senator Elkin	P
Senator Conley	P
Senator Lemm	P
Senator Oban	P
Senator Wobbema	p

Senator	Vote
Chairman Schaible	Y
Senator Elkin	Y
Senator Conley	Y
Senator Lemm	Y
Senator Oban	Y
Senator Wobbema	Y

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1210: Education Committee (Sen. Schaible, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1210 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.