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Mr. Speaker:

The Education Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 524**, PUBLIC EDUCATION FINANCIAL OFFICERS, by Representative R. Neil Walter, with the following amendments:

Amendment 1

1 *Line 7 through 13:*

7 **Highlighted Provisions:**

8 This Bill:

9 #provides that a school district business administrator:

10 # {is} serves under an employment contract or as an at-will employee; and

11 #reports directly to the school district superintendent;

12 #provides that the Deputy Superintendent of Operations reports directly to the State

13 Superintendent of Public Instruction; and

2 *Line 95 through 101:*

95 **53G-4-302** Business administrator -- Term -- Oath.

96 (1) Subject to Subsection (5), a local school board shall appoint a business administrator.

97 (2) [~~(a)] The business [administrator's term of office is for two years and until, subject to~~

98 Subsection (5), a successor is appointed and qualified]administrator {is} shall serve under
an employment contract or as an at-will

99 employee who serves at the will of the local school board .

100 [~~(b) A local school board that appoints a business administrator in accordance with this~~

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101 ~~section may not, on or after May 8, 2012, enter into an employment contract that~~

Respectfully,

R. Neil Walter
Chair

Voting: 9-2-4

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