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**Education Committee**

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**HB 1941**

**Brief Description:** Making the superintendent of public instruction a voting member of the state board of education.

**Sponsors:** Representatives P. Sullivan, Quall, Talcott, Kenney and McDermott; by request of State Board of Education.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Gives the Superintendent of Public Instruction a vote on all matters before the State Board of Education.

**Hearing Date:** 2/23/05

**Staff:** Susan Morrissey (786-7111).

**Background:**

By law, the State Board of Education annually elects a president and vice president. The Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) is an ex-officio member and chief executive officer of the state board. However, the Superintendent is permitted to vote only to break a tie.

**Summary of Bill:**

SPI may vote in all matters before the State Board of Education.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.