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MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Brungardt at 10:30 a.m. on March 1, 2012, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Tamera Lawrence, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Connie Burns, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Representative Peggy Mast
Gregg Burden, Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs

Others attending:

See attached list.

Introduction of Bills

Philip Bradley, Kansas Licensed Beverage Association, requested a bill introduction to allow tastings at on premises retailers.

Senator Reitze moved that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Senator Owens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

HB 2298 -- Granting authority to the executive director of the Kansas commission on veterans affairs to transfer funds between state general fund appropriated accounts

Chairman Brungardt opened the hearing on **HB 2298**.

Staff provided an overview of the bill. (Attachment 1)

Representative Peggy Mast appeared as a proponent on the bill. (Attachment 2) The bill would allow the Commission to transfer money from one account into another without Legislative approval.

Gregg Burden, Executive Director, Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, testified in support of the bill. (Attachment 3) The bill will make it easier for the Commission to transfer SGF between programs and would not need to be a part of the state appropriation bill.

Chairman Brungardt closed the hearing on **HB 2298**.

CONTINUATION SHEET

The minutes of the Federal and State Committee at 10:30 a.m. on March 1, 2012, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

Discussion and Final Action:

SB 390—Allowing farm wineries to sell wine by the bottle at special events and sell wine produced by farm wineries for consumption on licensed premises

Staff provided a balloon on the bill. (Attachment 4) The balloon was further amended to strike the language on page 1 paragraph 5, after “not be” through “under” and add “subject to the provisions of“.

Senator Longbine moved the balloon. Senator Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

*Senator Reitz moved to pass **SB 390** out favorably as amended. Senator Longbine seconded the motion. The motion carried.*

SB 379—Farm winery licenses; delete requirement products be grown in Kansas; other changes

Chairman Brungardt explained the history of the Farm Wineries and vineyards. Staff provided a balloon on the bill and provided the committee with an explanation. (Attachment 5) Discussion followed involving the Revisor on the logistics of the bill and the balloon.

Senator Abrams made a motion to amend the balloon to put section c page 2 back to original language and lower the percentage from 60% to 20%. Senator Owens seconded the motion.

Discussion followed involving the amendment and the bill.

The Chair stated that the motion and the second would stay, and the bill will be brought up next week.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2012. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.