

MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nancey Harrington at 10:30 a.m. on January 30, 2001 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:        Russell Mills, Legislative Research Department  
   Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department  
   Theresa Kiernan, Office of the Revisor  
   Nikki Kraus, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:     Pat Lehman, Kansas Fire Service Alliance

Others attending:            Please See Attached

Chairman Harrington began the meeting by introducing Senator Chris Steineger, who introduced a bill on slot machines.

Senator Gooch asked if the bill had limited slots only to racing facilities, and Senator Steineger agreed.

Senator Gooch moved that the bill be introduced, and Senator Barnett seconded. The motion was passed.

Chairman Harrington opened hearing on:

**SB 71 Procedures, duties concerning state capitol area and Kansas firefighters' memorial**

Chairman Harrington stated that this bill belonged to Senator Adkins, but that, although he had been invited, he had chosen not to submit written testimony and would not appear before the committee.

Mr. Pat Lehman, Kansas Fire Service Alliance, then presented his testimony to the committee. (Attachment 1).

Chairman Harrington drew the committee's attention to the written testimony from Mr. Gale Haag, Kansas State Fire Marshal. (Attachment 2). She also pointed out the fiscal note from the Division of the Budget (Attachment 3).

Chairman Harrington recognized Senator O'Connor who stated that she wanted to know if, because of the wording of the bill, the majority of the funding for the memorial would be private.

Danielle Noe, Assistant Secretary of Administration, then spoke to the committee to explain a written request for a technical amendment to the bill to change the wording from "Director of Architectural Services" to "Director of Facilities Management". (Attachment 4).

Senator moved to adopt the amendment, and Senator O'Connor seconded. The motion passed.

In response to a question from Senator Gooch, Ms. Noe responded that the maintenance of the memorial would primarily come from private contributions, and that the specific details of the memorial would be approved by a committee with legislative oversight, Capitol grounds management, and ultimately by the governor.

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Senator Gooch then stated that it seemed that this bill did not really accomplish anything because it did not state that there would be an actual memorial. Mr. Lehman stated that the point of the bill was to set up guidelines and criteria to follow in the future.

Chairman Harrington suggested that there might be a balloon amendment to change and clarify that, but then the committee discussed the issue and decided that more clear language could be found in a latter part of the bill.

Senator Vratil moved that **SB 71** be reported favorable to the full Senate as amended. Senator Teichman seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Russell Mills began a staff briefing on the House bill concerning the lottery. He stated that the House bill to extend the lottery for six years, until 2008, had been approved to the House Committee, and that motions for indefinite extension and for one year extension had both failed. Mr. Mills also gave the members a copy of *The Topeka Capital-Journal*, "Lottery Scores Early Win" by Jim McLean, published January 30, 2001.

Senator Vratil asked Mr. Mills to explain the rationale behind six years as opposed to another number, and Mr. Mills replied that the prior extensions had been for six years.

Chairman Harrington then stated that if the House bill passes quickly on the floor, then the Senate Federal and State Affairs committee would simply work the house bill.

Mr. Mills stated that the House Federal and State Affairs committee only six people testified on the lottery bill.

Chairman Harrington then asked for questions, and there were none.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on January 31, 2001.