

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Roger Reitz at 9:30 a.m. on February 22, 2011, in Room 159 S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Mike Heim, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Jill Shelley, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Noell Memmott, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Don Moler, Executive Director, League of Kansas Municipalities  
Brad Smoot, Legislative Counsel, Annexation Reform Coalition  
Wess Galyon, President, Wichita Area Builders Association  
Ed Jaskinia, President, Associated Landlords of Kansas  
Richard Steward, Wichita Habitat for Humanity  
Jeff Hudson, Past President, Kansas Association of Fire Chiefs  
Sandy Jacquot, Director of Law/General Counsel, League of Municipalities  
Tim Ryan, City of Overland Park  
Ryan Alms, Fire Marshall, Manhattan, Kansas  
Jerry Mallory, CEO Planning, Development, and Codes, Olathe, Kansas

Others attending:

See attached list.

The hearing continued on: **SB 180—An act concerning cities; relating to annexation**

Don Moler, Executive Director, League of Kansas Municipalities, spoke in opposition to the bill (attachment 1). Erik Sartorius, clarified rules about chickens in annexed areas.

The hearing was closed.

The hearing opened on **SB 194—An act concerning cities; relating to annexation**. Mike Heim, revisor, explained that part of **SB 180** was in the text of **SB 194**.

Brad Smoot, Legislative Counsel, Annexation Reform Coalition, gave testimony as a proponent to the bill (attachment 2). Written testimony was submitted by: Brad Harrell, Kansas Farm Bureau, Governmental Relations (attachment 3), and Ron R. Fe hr, City Manager, City of Manhattan (attachment 4).

The hearing was closed.

Discussion continued on **SB 114—An act concerning homeowners associations**. Senator Huntington explained how the bill would effect homeowners associations. Mike Heim, revisor, reviewed the amendments to the bill (attachment 5). Senator Huntington moved to accept the amendments to SB 114. Senator Ostmeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried. Senator Huntington moved to pass SB 114 out of committee as amended. The motion was seconded by Senator Brundgardt. The motion passed.

The hearing opened on **SB 2088—Municipalities sprinkler systems, residential housing; change.**

Mike Heim, revisor, reviewed the bill from last year and explained how this bill has been amended to make the provisions in the bill permanent and to eliminate the sunset provision.

Proponents speaking in favor of the bill: Wess Galyon, President, Wichita Area Builders Association (attachment 6); Richard Steward, Wichita Habitat for Humanity (attachment 7); and Ed Jaskinia, President, Associated Landlords of Kansas (attachment 8). Written testimony was submitted in favor of by: Steven Cowen, Staff Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Home Builders Association of Kansas City (attachment 9); Luke Bell, Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Kansas Association of Realtors (attachment 10);

## CONTINUATION SHEET

Minutes of the Senate Local Government Committee at 9:30 a.m. on February 22, 2011 in Room 159 S of the Capitol.

Art Brown, Legislative Representative, Mid-American Lumbermens Association ([attachment 11](#)); Ashley Jones-Wisner, Local Initiatives Support Corporation of Greater Kansas City ([attachment 12](#)); and Martha Neu-Smith, Executive Director, Kansas Manufactured Housing ([attachment 13](#)).

Opponents speaking in opposition to the bill: Sandy Jacquot, Director of Law/General Counsel, Kansas Association of Counties ([attachment 14](#)); Jeff Hudson, Past President, Kansas State Association of Fire Chiefs ([attachment 15](#)); Tim Ryan, City of Overland Park ([attachment 16](#)); Ryan Alms, Fire Marshall, Manhattan, Kansas ([attachment 17](#)); and Jerry Mallory, CEO Planning Development and Codes, Olathe, Kansas ([attachment 18](#)). Written testimony in opposition to the bill was submitted by: Melissa A. Wangemann, General Counsel, Kansas Association of Counties ([attachment 19](#)); Kevin Flory, Vice President, Kansas State Firefighters Association ([attachment 20](#)); William Sneed, Legislative Counsel, State Farm Insurance Companies ([attachment 21](#)); Mike Hall, President, Fire Education Association of Kansas ([attachment 22](#)); and Brad Henson, President Fire Marshals Association of Kansas ([attachment 23](#)).

Questions from the committee and discussion followed.

The hearing was closed.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30.