

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barbara P. Allen at 1:30 p.m. on February 13, 2001 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Ken Wilke, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Nancy Kirkwood, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Senator Adkins  
Lindsay Olsen, Mortgage Investment Trust  
Senator Allen  
Charles "Chip" Wheelen, Chairman of Government Relations,  
KS Society of Association Executives  
Jim Edwards, Senior Vice President, KCCI

Others attending: See attached list.

**Hearings on:**

**SB 171 - state aircraft travel by the Governor**

Dennis Hodgins gave an overview of **SB 171** to the committee.

Senator Adkins testified in support of **SB 171** which would permit the Governor to use the Executive Aircraft for personal and political purposes (Attachment 1).

Lindsay, Mortgage Investment Trust, proponent of **SB 171** testified before the committee (Attachment 2).

There being no others wishing to testify on **SB 171**, the hearing was closed.

**SB 94 - governmental ethics; restrictions on receiving gifts**

Senator Adkins presented testimony and spoke in support of **SB 94** which would permit a legislator or a part-time officer or employee to the executive branch to receive reimbursement for the actual costs associated with the preparation and making of a presentation at a speaking engagement. (Attachment 3).

Ken Wilke, Office of the Revisor of Statues, distributed a handout which compared: **SB 94, SB 217, SB 285,** and **SB 286** (Attachment 4).

**SB 217 - governmental ethics; prohibition against legislators and legislative employees accepting gifts**

Senator Allen testified in support of **SB 217**, which would prohibit legislators and employees of the Legislative Branch from accepting any gifts, and lobbyists would be prohibited from giving any gifts to these groups(Attachment 5). Senator Allen presented a balloon amending **SB 217** (Attachment 6).

Chip Wheelen, Chairman of Government Relations, KS Society of Association Executives, presented testimony in support of **SB 217** if amended to clearly reflect that publications may be provided to legislators (Attachment

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Jim Edwards, Senior Vice President, KCCI testified in support of **SB 217** (Attachment 8).

**SB 285 - governmental ethicss; exemption from reporting of lobbyist expenses**

**SB 286 - governmental ethics; exemption from reporting of lobbyist gifts**

There being no others wishing to testify on **SB 94, SB 217, SB 285, SB 286**, the hearings were closed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2001.