

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephen Morris at 10:40 a.m. on March 21, 2002 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present

Committee staff present:

Alan Conroy, Chief Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Deb Hollon, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Leah Robinson, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Audrey Nogle, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Paul West, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Michael Corrigan, Assistant Revisor of Statutes  
Judy Bromich, Assistant to the Chairman  
Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Connie Hubbell, Secretary, Department on Aging

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Morris called the Committee's attention to discussion of:

**HB 2690--University research and development enhancement act**

Copies of information about the Aviation Research were distributed to the Committee (Attachment 1).

Senator Kerr moved, with a second by Senator Feleciano, to amend HB 2690 and adopt the proposed balloon amendment regarding the National Institute for Aviation Research (Attachment 2) and to recommend funding the research which would be in the amount of \$1.0 million in FY 2004, \$2.0 million in FY 2005, \$2.0 million in FY 2006 and \$2.0 million in FY 2007 (Attachment 3). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Kerr moved, with a second by Senator Adkins, to amend HB 2690 to eliminate the language that makes up the cap on page 5, line 4, that specifies \$110.0 million. Committee questions and discussion followed.

Senator Barone moved a substitute amendment on HB 2690, with a second by Senator Feleciano, to place the cap on bonds issued at \$130.0 million. Motion for the substitute amendment carried on a voice vote.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Barone, to amend HB 2690, on page 14 regarding construction manager at risk bidding procedures, after the sentence that ends "and amendments thereto," to insert the language "all firms submitting proposals shall be bonded as provided in K.S.A. 60-1111 and must present proof of same to construction manager at risk prior to submitting a bid or be deemed unqualified". Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Kerr, a technical amendment for HB 2690, page 5, line 2, to drop the language "if the corporation is so formed" because the bill requires that the corporation be formed and that portion of the sentence is not necessary. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Feleciano, to go back to the original language in HB 2690 regarding the source of funding of transfers for debt service payments on bonds issued back to the State General Fund. Motion carried on a voice vote.

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Senator Feleciano moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to amend **HB 2690** that the Executive Director of the Board of Regents serve as temporary Chair to conduct the election of the Chair, and then those seven members after they are organized, elect a Chair. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to amend **HB 2690** for a time frame requiring appointment of members of the Board of Directors 60 days after the enactment of the bill. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Feleciano moved, with a second by Senator Barone, to amend **HB 2690** to change on page 11, line 32, concerning the amount of notice before negotiations to obtain project services from 15 to 30 days. Motion failed.

Senator Jordan moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to amend **HB 2690** section 11, page 16, striking language regarding prevailing wage. Motion carried by a voice vote. Senator Barone, Senator Downey and Senator Feleciano requested to be recorded as voting "No" on the motion.

Information was distributed by Senator Barone to the Committee:

- Comparison of Regents' School Endowments (Attachment 4)
- \$64,990,000 Kansas Development Finance Authority Revenue Bonds (Preliminary), University Research and Development (Attachment 5)

Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Downey, to amend **HB 2690** with a balloon amendment (Attachment 6). Motion failed.

Senator Kerr moved, with a second by Senator Adkins, to move **HB 2690** favorably as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The Chairman opened the public hearing on

**SB 644--Medicaid payment and rate schedules**

Staff briefed the Committee on the bill.

Connie Hubbell, Secretary, Department on Aging, testified in support of **SB 644** (Attachment 7). Secretary Hubbell spoke regarding the amendments in the bill and mentioned that the bill was drafted to make Kansas law consistent with the repeal of the Boren amendment. She noted that the central theme of her testimony was to revise current state law to make it consistent with federal requirements.

Committee questions and discussion followed and the Chairman thanked Secretary Hubbell for appearing before the Committee. Chairman Morris mentioned that the hearing on **SB 644** would continue the following day, March 22, 2002..

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2002.