

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE CORRECTIONS AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ward Loyd at 1:30 p.m. on January 15, 2004 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Dale Swenson - Excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Revisor of Statutes Office
Jerry Ann Donaldson, Legislative Research Department
Becky Krahl, Legislative Research Department
Nicoletta Buonasera, Legislative Research Department
Connie Burns, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Kyle Smith, Kansas Bureau of Investigation
Chief Justice McFarland

Others attending:

See Attached List.

Kyle Smith, Kansas Bureau of Investigation appeared before the committee to request the introduction of bills.

1. Clean-up amendment to the Kansas DNA databank law. (Attachment 1)
2. Legislation that will bring Kansas search and seizure law back into consistency with the constitutional standard of the other 49 states. (Attachment 2)

Representative Goering made the motion that this request should be introduced as committee bills. Representative Carter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chief Justice McFarland, of the Kansas Supreme Court overview of the Judicial Branch. She spoke about the budget and the Governors' approval without any cuts this fiscal year. She explained that the maintenance budget is the amount of money to do the same thing as the court system did the year before.

The court budget is 97 to 98 % salaries. There have been programs initiated to save money like the Senior Judge Program where Senior Judges are carefully selected and they give 40% of their time and are paid for 25% of that time.

HB 2049 – Creating the office of district attorney in judicial districts that vote for approval.

Chairperson Loyd called for final action on **sub for HB 2049**. The bill was requested by Representative Ward. This bill was amended and passed out of committee in 2003 session, but held over till 2004 session.

Representative Jim Ward made a motion to further amend the substitute bill, and the substitute bill be passed out favorably as amended. Representative Jeff Goering seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 P.M. The next scheduled meeting is January 20, 2004.