

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Morris at 10:30 a.m. on February 13, 2001, 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
Leah Robinson, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Debra Hollon, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Audrey Nogle, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Tom Severn, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes
Michael Corrigan, Assistant Revisor, Revisor of Statutes Office
Julie Weber, Administrative Assistant to the Chairman
Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Others attending: See attached guest list

Bill Introductions

Senator Kerr moved, with a second by Senator Huelskamp, to introduce a bill (1rs0148) concerning tax rebates for capital improvements by education attractions. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to introduce a bill (1rs0006) concerning the Kansas Highway Patrol concerning political activity restrictions. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Senator Downey moved, with a second by Senator Adkins, to introduce a bill (1rs0129) concerning school districts, school days and school hours in addition to school days and school hours scheduled for the regular school term. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Chairman Morris turned the Committee's attention to approval of the minutes that were distributed for the meetings of January 9, January 10 and January 11, 2001. Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Jordan, to approve the minutes of January 9, January 10 and January 11, 2001. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Subcommittee budget reports:

Citizens Utility Ratepayer Board (Attachment 1)

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation for FY 2001.

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation for FY 2002 with an exception as listed in the subcommittee report.

Kansas Corporation Commission (Attachment 2)

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2001 with comments and exceptions as listed in the subcommittee report.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002 with comments and concerns as listed in the subcommittee report.

Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Salmans, to approve the subcommittee budget report for Citizens Utility Ratepayer Board and the Kansas Corporation Commission. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Vice Chairman David Adkins noted that there were visitors in attendance to present an award to Chairman Steve Morris. A plaque was presented to Chairman Morris on behalf of the Kansas Air National Guard, Army National Guard and the Adjutant General. The Senator had flown in 1997 to Pisa, Italy to see the Guard in operation first hand. It was a token of appreciation for what the Senator does in support of the National Guard. Chairman Morris graciously accepted the plaque.

Department of Administration (Including Public Broadcasting) (Attachment 3)

Senator Adkins reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2001.

Senator Adkins reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002 with adjustments and observations as listed in the subcommittee report.

Senator Feleciano requested a flow chart showing the facilities of the Department moving into the Signature Building and a flow chart of the existing square footage amounts versus the new square footage amounts.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to approve the Subcommittee budget report for the Department of Administration (Including Public Broadcasting). Motion carried by a voice vote.

Human Rights Commission (Attachment 4)

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2001 and FY 2002.

Senator Barone moved, with a second by Senator Salmans, to approve the Subcommittee budget report for the Human Rights Commission. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Kansas Public Employees Retirement System Budget (KPERs) (Attachment 5)

Senator Kerr reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2001 with adjustments as listed in the subcommittee report.

Senator Kerr reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002 with additional adjustments as listed in the subcommittee report.

Senator Kerr moved, with a second by Senator Adkins, to approve the subcommittee budget report on the KPERs budget. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Governmental Ethics Commission (Attachment 6)

Chairman Morris mentioned that this agency operates on a biennial budget.

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2001 with a notation as listed in the subcommittee report.

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2002 with adjustments and notations as listed in the subcommittee report.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Senator Salmans reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2003 with adjustments and notations as listed in the subcommittee report.

Senator Salmans moved, with a second by Senator Barone, to approve the Subcommittee budget report on the Governmental Ethics Commission. Motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2001.