

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Melvin Neufeld at 9:00 A.M. on February 14, 2006 in Room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Alan Conroy, Legislative Research Department
J. G. Scott, Legislative Research Department
Becky Krahl, Legislative Research Department
Matt Spurgin, Legislative Research Department
Susan Kannarr, Legislative Research Department
Carolyn Rampey, Legislative Research Department
Leah Robinson, Legislative Research Department
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Mike Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes
Nikki Feuerborn, Administrative Assistant
Shirley Jepson, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

- Attachment 1 Budget Committee Report on Kansas Insurance Department, Office of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State,
- Attachment 2 Amendment, FY 2007 Office of the Governor
- Attachment 3 Budget Committee Report on the Health Care Stabilization Fund Board of Governors
- Attachment 4 Budget Committee Report on the Attorney General
- Attachment 5 Budget Committee Report on the State Treasurer
- Attachment 6 Budget Committee Report on the Board of Tax Appeals

Representative Feuerborn moved to introduce legislation concerning exemption from certain fire protection statutes for the agriculture exhibit buildings on the property of the Kansas State Fair. The motion was seconded by Representative Bethell. Motion carried.

Chairman Neufeld moved to introduce legislation for the establishment of the Kansas Cancer Center. The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff, Chair of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Kansas Insurance Department for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Lane.

Some members of the Committee expressed dissatisfaction with the transfer of fee funds to the State General Fund (SGF).

Representative McLeland moved to amend the Budget Committee report on the Kansas Insurance Department for FY 2006 by deleting the transfer of \$500,000 from the Insurance Department Service Regulation Fund to the State General Fund (SGF). The motion was seconded by Representative Hutchins. Motion carried.

The Committee requested that the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee research and provide additional information on the amount of special revenue funds that have been transferred from the Insurance Department Service Regulation Fund to the State General Fund during the past.

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Representative Pottorff moved to adopt the Budget Committee report on the Kansas Insurance Department for FY 2006 as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Yoder. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff, Chair of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Kansas Insurance Department for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Lane.

Representative McLeland moved to amend the Budget Committee report on the Kansas Insurance Department for FY 2007 by deleting the transfer of \$1 million from the Insurance Department Service Regulation Fund to the State General Fund (SGF). The motion was seconded by Representative Hutchins. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff moved to adopt the Budget Committee on the Kansas Insurance Department for FY 2007 as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Yoder. Motion carried.

Representative Lane, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Office of the Governor for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Lane, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Office of the Governor for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff.

Representative Landwehr moved to amend the Budget Committee report on the Office of the Governor for FY 2007 by adding \$7,483,333, including \$1,583,333 from the State General Fund (SGF) for domestic violence prevention grants (Attachment 2). The motion was seconded by Representative Bethell. Motion carried.

Representative Landwehr explained that through an error in the Governor's Budget Report, approximately \$5.9 million in federal grant funding was placed in the budget of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment budget rather than the Governor's Office budget. This amendment will put the matching funds for the grant program in the same budget as the grant funds.

Representative Lane moved to adopt the Budget Committee report on the Office of the Governor for FY 2007 as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff, Chair of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Lieutenant Governor for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Lane. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff, Chair of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Lieutenant Governor for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Lane. Motion carried.

Representative Yoder, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Secretary of State for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Yoder, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee,

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presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Secretary of State for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 1). The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Lane, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Health Care Stabilization Fund Board of Governors for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 3). The motion was seconded by Representative Yoder. Motion carried.

Representative Lane, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Health Care Stabilization Fund Board of Governors for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 3). The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Yoder, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Attorney General for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 4). The motion was seconded by Representative Lane. Motion carried.

Representative Yoder, member of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Attorney General for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 4). The motion was seconded by Representative Lane.

Representative Gatewood moved to amend the Budget Committee report on the Attorney General for FY 2007 by adding language for a review of **HB 2797** at Omnibus. The motion was seconded by Representative Feuerborn. Motion carried.

Representative Sharp moved to amend the Budget Committee report on the Attorney General for FY 2007 by adding language to Item No. 3 specifying that if the Byrne Grant funds are awarded, the \$76,692 will be returned to the State General Fund (SGF). The motion was seconded by Representative Lane. Motion carried.

The Chair explained that Byrne Grants are federal dollars awarded to the states to establish new programs, fully funded the first year with a gradual decrease in federal dollars until the 4th year when the program is sustained with SGF dollars. The Budget Committee noted that FY 2006 is the second year for the Attorney General's program and FY 2007 will be the third year. Kevin Graham, Attorney General's office, indicated that the Byrne Grant funds are awarded in June of each fiscal year.

Representative Schwartz moved to amend the Budget Committee report on the Attorney General for FY 2007 by adding language to ensure that \$560,000 is appropriated for water litigation from a special revenue fund. The motion was seconded by Representative Powell. Motion carried.

Representative Yoder moved to adopt the Budget Committee report on the Attorney General for FY 2007 as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff, Chair of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the State Treasurer for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 5). The motion was seconded by Representative Yoder. Motion carried.

Representative Pottorff, Chair of the General Government and Commerce Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the State Treasurer for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 5). The motion was seconded by Representative Yoder. Motion carried.

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Representative McCreary, Chair of the Revenue, Judicial, Transportation and Retirement Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Board of Tax Appeals for FY 2006 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2006 (Attachment 6). The motion was seconded by Representative Gatewood. Motion carried.

Representative McCreary, Chair of the Revenue, Judicial, Transportation and Retirement Budget Committee, presented the Budget Committee report on the Governor's recommendation for the Board of Tax Appeals for FY 2007 and moved for the adoption of the Budget Committee recommendation for FY 2007 (Attachment 6). The motion was seconded by Representative Weber. Motion carried.

The following bills were referred:

HB 2863 to Education Budget Committee.

HB 2880 to Revenue, Judicial, Transportation and Retirement Budget Committee.

HB 2897 to State Pay Plan Sub Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The next meeting of the Committee will be held at 9:00 a.m. on February 15, 2006.

Melvin Neufeld, Chairman