

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ELECTIONS AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Burgess at 3:30 P.M. on February 5, 2007 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

- Representative Steve Huebert- excused
- Representative Ted Powers- excused
- Representative Melody McCray-Miller- excused
- Representative Mike Peterson- excused

Committee staff present:

- Martha Dorsey, Legislative Research Department
- Matt Spurgin, Legislative Research Department
- Mike Heim, Revisor of Statutes Office
- Maureen Stinson, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

- Brad Bryant, Secretary of State
- Harriet Lange, KAB

Others attending:

See attached list.

HB 2173 Elections; advance voting; identification clarification

Chairman Burgess opened the hearing on **HB 2173**.

Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, testified in support of the bill (Attachment 1). He recommended one amendment. He explained that they proposed the bill to clarify and define some provisions of the current laws regarding voter identification that were passed in 2004 as part of the legislation to comply with the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA).

The Chairman closed the hearing on **HB 2173**.

Chairman Burgess opened the hearing on **HB 2129**.

HB 2129 Elections; corrupt political advertising; repeal of conflicting statutes

Harriet Lange, KS Association of Broadcasters, testified in support of the bill (Attachment 2). She explained that the bill would repeal KSA 25-2407, a section of election law which defines “corrupt political advertising” differently than what is found in the campaign finance act (KSA 25-4156).

The Chairman closed the hearing on **HB 2129**.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6, 2007.