

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nick Jordan at 9:05 A.M. on March 14, 2005 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Susan Wagle- excused

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Helen Pedigo, Revisor of Statutes

Jackie Lunn, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairperson Jordan opened the meeting by announcing the Committee had three sets of minutes to be approved. A motion was made by Senator Kelly to approve the minutes for February 17th, 21st, and 22nd. Senator Reitz seconded. The motion carried except for Senator Wysong abstaining from the 22nd because he was absent that day due to illness.

Chairperson Jordan opened the discussion on **SB 260** by going over each section of the bill. Chairperson Jordan stated sections 13,14,15, and 16 could be repealed because they were inactive funds at the time according to Tracy Taylor. The Committee discussed section 16. Senator Barone had concerns regarding section 16. Chairperson Jordan stated they would double check section 16. Chairperson Jordan continued with his review of each section of the bill.

Upon the conclusion of the review of **SB 260**, Chairperson Jordan asked for comments, questions or changes to the bill. Senator Brownlee moved to repeal sections 13, 14, 15. Senator Schodorf seconded. Motion carried.

Senator Brownlee made a motion for the revisor, when finishing up the bill, to remove section 16 if after checking funds it is not needed. Senator Schodorf seconded. Motion carried.

Senator Brownlee made a motion to put the bill in substitute form and move it out favorably. Senator Reitz seconded.

Chairperson Jordan recognized Senator Barone for discussion regarding the motion. Senator Barone asked for a quick recap of what the bill would do. Chairperson Jordan referred Senator Barone to a previous list given to the Committee listing all that Kansas, Inc. Was responsible for and how the would be redistributed if Kansas, Inc. is abolished. Chairperson Jordan stated the bill shifted responsibilities to different departments and portions of **HB 2010** had been added to the bill and felt they had come up with a good reporting system. Senator Barone wanted to have comments from the three departments which would be affected; the Department of Commerce, the Department of Revenue and Post Audit.

Chairperson Jordan recognized Secretary Joan Wagnon, the Department of Revenue. She stated the Department of Revenue was comfortable with the substitute bill and they would be creating, this summer, an Advisory Committee, including some of the members of this committee to make sure the reports they design are meeting the requirements of this substitute bill.

Barbara Hinton, Post Audit was recognized. She also stated Post Audit was comfortable with the substitute bill. She made reference to section 8 stating that was the only concern Post Audit had.

Matt Jordan, Department of Commerce was recognized by Chairperson Jordan and stated the Department of Commerce has realized they need to have regular communication with the Committee whatever happens with this bill.

Chairperson Jordan stated that Helen Pedigo, Revisor of Statutes, had just called his attention to a technical

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amendment the Department of Commerce has asked to be put into **SB 260**. (Attachment 1) Ms. Pedigo explained it would be a separate section and it was a reporting requirement for the ERO which refers to section 75-5735 “subject to the approval of the Governor. The Secretary of Human Resources” and would like to change it to Secretary of the Department of Commerce instead. After some discussion regarding the addition of this section to **SB 260**, Senator Brownlee asked Chairperson Jordan not to include it at this time. Chairperson Jordan stated since Senator Brownlee made the motion and did not want to include this section it would not be included.

Chairperson Jordan stated we have a motion on the floor. Motion carried with one no vote.

Chairperson Jordan adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m. with the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at 8:15 a.m. in room 123S.