

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Huelskamp at 1:35 P.M. on January 12, 2005 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent: None

Committee staff present: Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes
Janet Engel, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Richard Gannon, Director Governmental Affairs for Kansas Press Association
Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Others attending: See attached list.

This being the first committee meeting of the session, Senators serving on the committee and committee staff members were introduced.

Bill Introductions

Richard Gannon recapped three bills and one senate concurrent resolution related to open records and requested they be introduced. No copies were provided. It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Betts that the committee introduce the resolution and three bills. The motion carried.

Mike Heim provided (Attachment 1), "Reports of the Special Committee on Local Government to the 2005 Kansas Legislature." The special committee spent about one half day on the annexation issue and rest of their 6 day meeting on open records issues. It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Reitz to introduce the two recommended bills. The motion carried.

It was moved by Senator O'Connor and seconded by Senator Ostmeyer to introduce a bill related to exemptions to subpoena powers. The motion carried. This is the bill that the report in attachment 1 recommends be drafted.

Closing

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 18, 2005.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.