

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kenny Wilk at 3:30 p.m. on March 25, 2003, in Room 522-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: April Holman, Legislative Research  
Debra Hollon, Legislative Research  
Rena Jefferies, Revisor of Statutes  
Fulva Seufert, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Art Griggs, Department of Administration, Legal Division

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Wilk directed the Committee's attention to **SB 235** to resume deliberations from the new draft Rena Jefferies, Revisor, prepared for distribution. He said that it was his intent to finish working **SB 235** and then to discuss **ERO 30**. The minutes for the March 20, 2003 meeting were distributed, too.

The Chair recognized Representative Brunk who presented the following amendments to **SB 235 - Providing for general STAR bond authority throughout the state:**

- Page 3, line 33, adding "and river walk canal facilities."
- Page 4, line 30, defines what a riverwalk canal facility is.
- Page 5, line 19, adds the following language: The secretary may also make such a finding with respect to any special bond project located in a redevelopment district established by a city prior to the effective date of this act.
- Page 15, line 19, remove statute book and add Kansas Register. (Attachment 1)

Representative Brunk made a motion to amend SB 235 and Representative Gordon seconded. Motion carried.

The Chair asked Ms. Rena Jefferies, Revisor, to present the Revisor's definition of "commence work." Definition number 2 appeared to be the clearest. It reads as follows:

the manifest commencement of actual operations on the development site, such as, erecting a building, excavating the ground to lay a foundation or a basement or work of like description which a person with reasonable diligence can see and recognize as being done with the intention and purpose to continue work until the project is completed. (Attachment 2)

Representative Hill made a motion to insert the above definition of "commence work" into the bill on page 2, line 13 (d). Representative Novascone seconded. Motion passed.

A discussion followed about the amendment approved March 20, 2003, Section 7, (5) concerning such project may include an athletic complex...., and Chairman Wilk asked April Holman, Legislative Research, to address this concern. It was suggested to strike the last sentence of the balloon on Section 7, Part 5 which reads as follows:

"Any project that exceeds \$100,000,000 in total investment of all development phases shall not be subject to subsection (5) of this section." (Attachment 3)

Representative Burroughs made a motion to strike the above-mentioned sentence, and Representative O'Malley seconded. Motion carried.

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The Chair recognized Representative Loganbill who suggested adding the following language to page 5 between lines 24 and 25 to read as follows:

(b) Any redevelopment project plan in a redevelopment district located in the city of Wichita that is eligible for benefits provided by K.S.A. 12-1774 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto, and includes an arena or arena like structure shall be subject to approval by a vote by the citizens of Wichita at an election held for this purpose prior to approval by the secretary of commerce and housing. (Attachment 4)

Representative Loganbill made a motion to add the above language, and Representative Brunk seconded. Motion carried.

The following technical correction was addressed on page 2, line 32, to strike all of line 32, plus the amended language which added government building or school and to put a period after secretary at the end of line 31. Chairman Wilk made a motion to make this technical correction, and Representative Kuether seconded. Motion carried.

Representative Gordon made a motion to pass out **SB 235** as amended marked favorable for passage. Representative Hill seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Wilk next directed the Committee's attention to **ERO 30**, and asked Deb Hollon, Legislative Research, to review the explanation.

A discussion followed, and Mr. Art Griggs, Department of Administration, Legal Division, addressed the committee regarding members' concerns and questions. The Chair thanked Mr. Griggs for attending the meeting and addressing these concerns. (Attachment 5)

Chairman Wilk announced that there would be a joint meeting with the Senate Commerce Committee at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, March 27, 2003, in Room 313-S. Mr. Jeff Turner, Boeing 7E7 Project, will be present, and the entire legislature will be invited.

Representative Novascone made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2003, meeting, and Representative Craft seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.