

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas C. (Tim) Owens at 9:32 a.m. on January 14, 2009, in Room 545-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Terry Bruce- excused

Committee staff present:

Jason Thompson, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Doug Taylor, Office of the Revisor of Statutes

Jerry Donaldson, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Karen Clowers, Committee Assistant

Others attending:

See attached list.

Introduction of Bills

Senator Jim Barnett requested the introduction of a bill on the presumption of paternity and genetic testing. The bill was introduced without objection.

The Chairman introduced Helen Pedigo, Executive Director, Kansas Sentencing Commission to present a review of 2003 SB 123 (Attachment 1). Ms. Pedigo reviewed the desired impact of the bill, eligibility requirements, analysis of the program structure, and an assessment of results to date.

Chairman Owens thanked Ms. Pedigo for providing an informative presentation. Senator Vratil noted the program has been successful and should continue to be supported by the legislature.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.