

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Troy Waymaster at 1:30 pm on Thursday, February 18, 2016, 218-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Randy Garber – Excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Office of Revisor of Statutes

LaVerne Engelhardt, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Dezeree Hodish, Legislative Research Department

Mark Dapp, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Final action on bills previously heard HB2660 — Fee agencies, moneys transferred to the state general fund or special revenue fund; notification to persons paying fees that moneys have been transferred.

Due to the length of the House Chamber proceedings, the General Government Budget Committee was called to order at 2:20 p.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2016.

Rep. McPherson moved, Rep. Concannon seconded, to pass **HB2660** favorably out of committee.

Rep. Concannon moved an amendment, Rep. Rahjes seconded, to address the notification process. The fee agency would be responsible, not the Department of Administration, for informing clients of transfers, and email notification would be allowable. The fee agency would be notified of a transfer and would then have 30 days in which to complete the notification to clients either by electronic or regular mail. The notification requirement shall apply to those transfers to the state general fund that are in excess of the amount credited to reimburse the state general fund for accounting, auditing, budgeting, legal, payroll, personnel and purchasing services, and any and all other state government services, as provided in K.S.A. 75-3170a, and amendments thereto. The amendment passed.

Rep. Sutton moved, Rep. McPherson seconded, to strike language that would have notification requirements apply to funds that meet certain criteria that are not mentioned in the bill. Discussion followed. The amendment failed.

Rep. McPherson moved, Rep. Concannon seconded, to pass **HB2660** favorably out of committee as amended. The motion passed.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on General Government Budget at 1:30 pm on Thursday, February 18, 2016 in Room 218-N of the Capitol.

Hearing and possible action on: HB2487 — Legislative subsistence allowance; repealing the provisions increasing the allowance to match the federal employee per diem expenses and setting the allowance at \$129 per day.

Jill Wolters, Revisor, explained **HB2487** as a bill that would repeal the federal escalator for legislators per diem expenses and establish the subsistence allowance amount at \$129. If enacted, the bill would take effect on publication in the Kansas register.

No one offered proponent, neutral, or opponent testimony, either oral or written.

No discussion followed the description of the bill.

The hearing on **HB2487** was closed.

Hearing and possible action on: HB2624 — Legislative compensation and subsistence limited to 90 days.

Jill Wolters, Revisor, explained **HB2624**. This bill would limit the number of days that legislators receive compensation and subsistence allowances to 90 days during any regular session.

Rep. Waymaster questioned whether mileage would be included after the 90 days. The Revisor replied, "No."

Rep. Hineman asked if legislators would be paid for 90 days if they worked 70 days. The Revisor replied, "Not with this bill."

Rep. McPherson asked whether legislators are subject to the Fair Labor Standards Act. The Revisor didn't think so.

Rep. Waymaster inquired about how much the extended session cost. Mr. Day, Director of Legislative Services, stated the amount was around \$890,000. This is not an exact figure because several legislators waived the moneys.

No proponent, neutral, or opposing testimony was offered either in oral or written form.

The hearing on **HB2624** was closed.

Rep. Sutton moved, Rep. Concannon seconded, to declare an emergency and work the bills. Motion failed.

The Committee meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.