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## MINUTES OF THE SENATE ETHICS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mitch Holmes at 9:45am on Wednesday, March 18, 2015, 142-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Michael O'Donnell - Excused

Committee staff present:

Jill Shelley, Legislative Research Department Martha Dorsey, Legislative Research Department Darla Conner, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant Daniel Yoza, Office of Revisor of Statutes Mike Heim. Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

See Attached List

## Possible action on bills previously heard

Chairman Holmes opened final action on **HB2183-Political campaigns and use of technology.** 

Chairman Holmes distributed an amendment for <u>HB2183</u>. (<u>Attachment 1</u>) Mike Heim,Office of the Revisor of Statues, explained the amendment. Senator Love distributed an amendment for <u>HB2183</u>. (<u>Attachment 2</u>) Daniel Yoza, Office of the Revisor of Statues explained the amendment. Discussion followed. Neither of the amendments were adopted.

<u>Chairman Holmes moved a conceptual amendment to insert SB27-Campaign finance; use of campaign fund; increased exemption amount certain for candidates; contributor information; lobbyist filings as it was introduced into HB2183</u>. Seconded by Senator Fitzgerald. Motion carried.

<u>Senator Love moved HB2183 favorable for passage as amended. Seconded by Senator Fitzgerald.</u>

<u>Motion carried.</u>

Chairman Holmes opened final action on **HB2104-Elections**; filling vacancies of nominations.

Senator Love moved a conceptual amendment to **HB2104** that would allow two exceptions for a candidate to be removed from the ballot:

1) if the candidate or someone in his immediate family suffered a severe medical hardship certified by a medical doctor

2) if the candidate moves out of district.

Seconded by Senator Arpke.

Senator Love moved a substitute motion to HB2104 to change "out of district" to "out of state".

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

## **CONTINUATION SHEET**

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Seconded by Arpke. Motion carried.

<u>Senator Love moved **HB2104** favorable for passage as amended. Seconded by Arpke. Motion carried.</u> Senator Faust-Goudeau and Senato Haley are recorded as a "no" vote.

Chairman Holmes opened final action on **SB239-Elections**; presidential primary date delayed.

<u>Senator Love moved **SB239** favorable for passage. Seconded by Senator Wagle. Motion carried.</u> Senator Foust-Goudeau and Senator Haley are recorded as a "no" vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35.