

MINUTES OF THE SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dennis Pyle at 9:30am on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 159-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

Harrison Dean, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant

Daniel Yoza, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Mike Heim, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Douglas Pfalzgrat, Pfalzgrat Law Offices; Jason Watkins, Board of Commissioners of Sedgwick County; Melissa Wangemann, Kansas Association of Counties; Leon Hobson, Riley County; Mark Tallman, Kansas Association of School Boards; Larry McAulay, Johnson County

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Hearing and possible action on: HB2165 — Certain improvement districts; procedure for filling vacancies.

Chairman Pyle opened the hearing on **HB2165**, and the Revisor briefed the bill to the committee.

The following proponents appeared before the Committee.

-Douglas Pfalzgrat, Pfalzgrat Law Offices ([Attachment 1](#))

-Jason Watkins, Board of Commissioners of Sedgwick County([Attachment 2](#))

There was no neutral or opposing testimony.

There being no one else wishing to testify,
Chairman Pyle closed the hearing on **HB2165**.

Hearing and possible action on: HB2164 — Certain sewer districts; construction contract bid threshold raised.

Chairman Pyle opened the hearing, and the Revisor briefed the bill to the Committee.

The following proponents appeared before the Committee:

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- Melissa Wangemann, Kansas Association of Counties ([Attachment 3](#))
- Leon Hobson - Riley County ([Attachment 4](#))

Written testimony in favor of the bill was submitted by the following:

- Clancy Holeman, Riley County Counselor ([Attachment 5](#))
- Robert Boyd, Riley County Commissioner ([Attachment 6](#))

There was no neutral or opposing testimony.

There being no one else wishing to testify, the Chairman closed the hearing.

Hearing and possible action on: HB2163 — Municipalities; contracts with other municipalities.

The Chairman opened the hearing, and the Revisor briefed the bill to the Committee.

The following proponents appeared before the Committee:

- Mark Tallman, Kansas Association of School Boards ([Attachment 7](#))
- Larry McAulay, Johnson County ([Attachment 8](#))

There was no neutral or opposing testimony.

There being no one else wishing to testify, the Chairman closed the hearing.

The Chairman opened the floor for action on **HB2164**. The Revisor explained an amendment striking "\$25,000" on line seven and inserting, "\$2,500" ([Attachment 7](#))

Senator Fitzgerald moved the amendment, seconded by Senator Haley.

The committee adopted the amendment by voice vote.

Senator Fitzgerald made a motion to combine the language from **HB2164** and **HB2163** into **HB2165**.
Seconded by Senator Faust-Goudeau.

The motion was adopted by voice vote.

Senator Arpke moved to pass out **HB2165** favorably as amended. Seconded by Senator Fitzgerald.

The bill was passed out favorably as amended by voice vote.

There being no other business, the committee adjourned at 10:30AM.