MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Olson at 1:34pm on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:
    Matt Sterling, Office of Revisor of Statutes
    Michael Welton, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
    Heather O'Hara, Legislative Research Department
    Natalie Nelson, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:
    Sheriff Troy Briggs, Haskell County Sheriff and President of the Kansas Sheriff's Association
    Jason Bryant - Statewide Interoperability Coordinator, Office of Communications, Kansas Adjutant General's Department
    Sheriff Burton Pianalto, Sherman County KS

Others in attendance:
    See Attached List

Chairman Olson thanked all those in attendance.

**Possible bill introductions**
There were no bill introductions proposed.

**Informational overview:**
**Importance of broadband communication capabilities to the rural public safety community**

Chairman Olson called on Sheriff Troy Biggs for his presentation. (Attachment #1) He also referenced that Sheriff Burton Pianalto and Sheriff Jason Bryant were present to answer any questions.

Committee questions ensued.

Sheriff Biggs called on Sheriff Pianalto to step up to address a question from the committee.

Senator Petersen requested that Jason Bryant respond to a question directed to the Kansas Adjutant General's Department.

Ed Klump - Chair, Kansas Criminal Justice Information System presented testimony. (Attachment #2)

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Seeing no more questions or comments Chairman Olson adjourned the meeting at 1:49 pm.
The next meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2016.