

MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ty Masterson at 10:30 am on Wednesday, February 04, 2015, 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Daniel Yoza, Office of Revisor of Statutes
David Wiese, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Bobbi Mariani, Legislative Research
Andy Chiamopoulos, Legislative Research
Mark Dapp, Legislative Research
Jennifer Ouellette, Legislative Research
Dezeree Hodish, Legislative Research
Ben Wilhelm, Legislative Research
Justin Carroll, Legislative Research
Debbie Luper, Chief of Staff
Dee Heideman, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

No conferees present

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Bill introductions

Senator O'Donnell made a motion to introduce legislation concerning the Board of Regents relating to support staff. The motion was seconded by Senator Kerschen and the motion was adopted on a voice vote.

Senator Masterson made a motion to introduce legislation concerning block grants. The motion was seconded by Senator Denning and the motion was adopted on a voice vote.

Subcommittee report signature page:

Attached is the Signature Page with all members' signatures for the Subcommittee Reports for: Abstracter's Board of Examiners, Board of Accountancy, Board of Barbering, Board of Mortuary Arts, Board of Nursing, and Governmental Ethics Commission. Senator Francisco called attention to her Minority Report and stated she was concerned that special revenue funds expenditures are being reduced for KPERS when it will not aid the State General Fund and will reduce overall employer contributions for the last six months of FY 2015 ([Attachment 1](#)).

Subcommittee reports on:

Senator O'Donnell, Chairperson of the Regulatory Boards and Commissions Subcommittee gave the

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Ways and Means at 10:30 am on Wednesday, February 04, 2015, 548-S of the Capitol.

Subcommittee Report for the following:

- Abstractor's Board of Examiners ([Attachment 2](#));
- Board of Accountancy ([Attachment 3](#));
- Board of Barbering ([Attachment 4](#));
- Board of Mortuary Arts ([Attachment 5](#));
- Board of Nursing ([Attachment 6](#));
- Governmental Ethics Commission ([Attachment 7](#)).

Senator Francisco called attention to Page 17 of the Governmental Ethics Commission Subcommittee Report, and asked the committee to be aware of the decline in their ending balances. She said there was contemplation of raising fees for lobbyists and feels that topic needs to be addressed. Senator O'Donnell said, at this time, his subcommittee is addressing some of Senator Francisco's concerns in a Senate bill.

Senator O'Donnell made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Reports for Abstractor's Board of Examiners, Board of Accountancy, Board of Barbering, Board of Mortuary Arts, Board of Nursing and Governmental Ethics Commission for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Kerschen and the motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Francisco asked to have her "No" vote recorded in the permanent record of the minutes.

The next Ways and Means Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 10:30 am in Room 548-S at the Capitol.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:52 am.