Approved: March 05, 2015

### MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ty Masterson at 10:30 am on Thursday, February 19, 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 J G Scott, Legislative Research Ben Wilhelm, Legislative Research Dezeree Hodish, Legislative Research David Fye, Legislative Research Dylan Dear, Legislative Research Mark Dapp, 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

<u>Senator Kelly made a motion to introduce proposed legislation concerning temporary limited</u> <u>guardianship. The motion was seconded by Senator Powell and the motion passed on a voice vote.</u>

<u>Senator O'Donnell made a motion to introduce proposed legislation concerning the Behavioral</u>
<u>Sciences Regulatory Board. The motion was seconded by Senator Powell and the motion carried on a</u>
voice vote.

### **Subcommittee signature page:**

All members of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee signed the signature page for the Subcommittee Reports for the Health Care Stabilization Fund Board of Governors, Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, Kansas Department of Labor, Kansas Department of Revenue, Office of the Governor, Office of the State Treasurer, and State Board of Tax Appeals (Attachment 1).

#### **Subcommittee reports on:**

Senator Kerschen, Chairperson of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee, gave the Subcommittee Report for the Health Care Stabilization Fund Board of Governors (Attachment 2).

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.

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<u>Senator Kerschen made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Report for the Health Care Stabilization</u> <u>Fund Board of Governors for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator</u> <u>Kelly and the report was adopted.</u>

Senator Kerschen, Chairperson of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee, gave the Subcommittee Report for the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training (Attachment 3.

<u>Senator Kerschen made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Report for the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Kelly and the report was adopted.</u>

## **Subcommittee reports on:**

Senator Kerschen, Chairperson of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee, gave the Subcommittee Report for the Kansas Department of Labor (Attachment 4).

Senator Kerschen made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Report for the Kansas Department of Labor for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Kelly and the report was adopted.

Senator Kerschen, Chairperson of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee, gave the Subcommittee Report for the Kansas Department of Revenue (Attachment 5).

Senator Tyson inquired if the Department of Revenue reported anything about cost savings due to changing their various tax notification systems.

Senator Kelly said they have a plan that will eliminate mailing the current vehicle registration forms with a \$275,000 savings with this one change. She said the complete budget for the Department of Revenue needs further review. She reported that their lease costs are projected to increase by 27 percent and there are other areas that need more in-depth reviews.

Senator Tyson requested that when the Department of Revenue's budget is reviewed, it is noted that their aggressiveness in migrating to online transactions with sales tax and more recently with vehicle tax, is creating a hardship for the counties and our constituents.

Senator Francisco said she has the same concern as Senator Tyson with the vehicle registrations, and said it appears the savings are benefiting the Department of Revenue, but causing increased expenses for our county treasurers' offices. She feels this is an issue not only for FY2015, but also FY2016 and FY2017. She said she wants to look in all areas for efficiencies and doesn't want expenditures to be shifted from one set of taxes to another.

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<u>Senator Francisco made a motion the review at Omnibus of the Department of Revenue's budget is not limited to only FY2015, but also includes FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Kelly and the motion to amend the report passed on a voice vote.</u>

<u>Senator Kerschen made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Report as amended for the Kansas</u>

<u>Department of Revenue for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Kelly and the report was adopted.</u>

## **Subcommittee reports on:**

Senator Kerschen, Chairperson of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee, gave the Subcommittee Report for the Office of the Governor (Attachment 6).

<u>Senator Kerschen made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Report for the Office of the Governor for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Powell and the report was adopted.</u>

Senator Kerschen, Chairperson of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee, gave the Subcommittee Report for the Office of the State Treasurer (Attachment 7).

Senator Kerschen made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Report for the Office of the State\_ Treasurer for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Powell and the report was adopted.

Senator Kerschen, Chairperson of the General Government, Legislative, and Elected Officials Subcommittee, gave the Subcommittee Report for the State Board of Appeals (Attachment 8).

Senator Kerschen made a motion to adopt the Subcommittee Report for the State Board of Appeals for FY2015, FY2016 and FY2017. The motion was seconded by Senator Powell and the report was adopted.

### Possible action on bills previously heard

There was no action taken on any bills previously heard.

The next Ways and Means Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2015, at 10:30 am, in Room 548-S at the Capitol.

Chairperson Masterson adjourned the meeting at 10:58 am.