Approved: February 15, 2016

MINUTES OF THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ty Masterson at 10:30 am on Wednesday, January 27, 2016, 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Jill Wolters. Office of Revisor of Statutes Scott Abbott, Office of Revisor of Statutes David Wiese, Legislative Research Department J G Scott, Legislative Research Department Shirley Morrow, Legislative Research Department Dezeree Hodish, Legislative Research Department Justin Carroll, Legislative Research Department Dylan Dear, Legislative Research Department Bobbi Mariani, Legislative Research Department Mark Dapp, Legislative Research Department Amy Deckard, Legislative Research Department David Fye, Legislative Research Department Steven Wu, Legislative Research Department Aaron Klaassen, Legislative Research Department Mark Skoglund, Legislative Research Department Sharon Wenger, Legislative Research Department Mark Savoy, Legislative Research department Jennifer Ouellete, Legislative Research Department Debbie Luper, Chief of staff Dee Heideman, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Pat Scalia, Director State Board of Indigents; Defense Services Gary Steed, Executive Director, Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training

Others in attendance:

See Attached List

Bill introductions

Senator Powell introduced proposed legislation concerning non-gaming and endangered species.

Senator Arpke seconded the motion and the motion carried on a voice vote.

Hearing continuation on: SB354 — Appropriation revisions for FY 2016, FY 2017 and FY 2018

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Ways and Means at 10:30 am on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 in Room 548-S of the Capitol.

for various state agencies.

Chairperson Masterson reopened the hearing on **SB354** for public testimony and comments.

Proponents:

No proponents appeared before the committee.

Opponents:

Pat Scalia, Director, State Board of Indigents' Defense Services said she serves in an administrative position only. She said she does not appear as the attorney nor does she advocate for any defendant accused of a capital crime or any other crime in the State of Kansas. She said she opposes **SB354** because she is compelled to request supplemental funding of \$548,000 for the current year and \$500,000 for fiscal year 2017, for the cost of the next level of capital case defense and for other Kansas cases proceeding to trial. The decisions of John Robinson, Sidney Gleason and the Carr brothers were published subsequent to the submission of the budget for the State Board of Indigents' Defense Services (Attachment 1).

Senator O'Donnell asked for the amount it cost Kansas to send the Carr brothers' case to the Supreme Court and then the Court sending it back to the Kansas courts. Ms Scalia said she would obtain and furnish him with that information.

Neutral:

Gary Steed, Executive Director, of the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, spoke as a neutral conferee to request authority to spend an additional \$60,000 for FY2016 to replace their Central Registry database. He said in 2015, an estimated cost of \$80,000 was submitted as a budget request for the implementation of the new database; however, when the bids were actually received, the cost was approximately \$140,000 (Attachment 2).

Chairperson Masterson closed the hearing on **SB354**.

Possible action on bills previously heard

There was no action taken on bills previously heard.

The next Ways and Means Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 28, 2016, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 548-S at the Capitol.

Chairperson Masterson adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.