

Journal of the House

FOURTEENTH DAY

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
TOPEKA, KS, Friday, January 26, 2001, 9:00 a.m.

The House met Session pro forma pursuant to adjournment with Speaker Glasscock in the chair.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were introduced and read by title:

HB 2181. An act concerning crimes and punishment; relating to unlawful conduct of cockfighting and attending the unlawful conduct of cockfighting, by Representative P. Long.

HB 2182. An act concerning water; relating to funding of certain programs to promote clean drinking water; imposing certain fees; providing for legal action under certain circumstances; exempting certain sales from sales tax; amending K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 79-3606 and repealing the existing section, by Representative Sloan.

HB 2183. An act concerning racing and gaming; concerning electronic gaming machines; amending K.S.A. 74-8702 and K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 19-101a and 74-8723 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Tourism.

REFERENCE OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and resolutions were referred to committees as indicated:

Appropriations: **HB 2179; SB 15, SB 18.**

Ethics and Elections: **HB 2164, HB 2180.**

Financial Institutions: **HB 2169.**

Health and Human Services: **HB 2170.**

Judiciary: **HB 2173, HB 2174, HB 2175, HB 2176, HB 2177, HB 2178.**

Local Government: **HB 2171, HB 2172.**

New Economy: **HB 2163 (separately).**

Taxation: **HB 2163 (separately), HB 2165, HB 2166.**

Utilities: **HB 2167, HB 2168.**

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 24, 2001

Message to the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:

Enclosed herewith is Executive Directive No. 01-305 for your information.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVE NO. 01-305
Authorizing Certain Personnel Transactions
and Authorizing Certain Expenditures

BILL GRAVES
Governor

The above Executive Directive is on file and open for inspection in the office of the Chief Clerk.

INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL MOTIONS AND HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was introduced and read by title:

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6006—

By Committee on Utilities

A RESOLUTION urging the State Corporation Commission to order certain refunds to be paid to certain residential natural gas customers.

WHEREAS, The price of natural gas has risen dramatically in the past year; and

WHEREAS, Residential consumers are affected by the price increase more than other customer classes because residential consumers cannot pass along their costs; and

WHEREAS, Many low-income and lower-middle-income citizens face particularly severe financial hardship to pay current bills for natural gas service; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has ordered natural gas producers to refund certain ad valorem taxes paid by natural gas consumers in the past; and

WHEREAS, Moneys for such refunds are being paid to local natural gas distribution companies for distribution to natural gas consumers; and

WHEREAS, The State Corporation Commission must approve the method of distribution of those refunds by local natural gas distribution companies: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That the State Corporation Commission is urged to order, to the extent authorized by law, that all moneys from FERC-ordered ad valorem tax refunds which are held by local natural gas distribution companies be used to assist residential natural gas customers within the companies' respective service territories; and

Be it further resolved: That the Commission is requested to target such assistance at those households which, because of income, are not eligible for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) administered by the Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services but have an income below 300% of the poverty level set by the federal government; and

Be it further resolved: That the Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby directed to send an enrolled copy of this resolution to each member of the State Corporation Commission.

Upon unanimous consent, the House referred back to the regular order of business, Introduction of Bills and Concurrent Resolutions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were thereupon introduced and read by title:

HB 2184, An act regulating traffic; concerning the width of certain vehicles; amending K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 8-126, 8-1486 and 8-1902 and repealing the existing sections, by Committee on Transportation.

HB 2185, An act concerning improvement districts; concerning the issuance of revenue bonds; amending K.S.A. 19-2777 and repealing the existing section, by Representative Tafanelli.

HB 2186, An act concerning state educational institutions under the control and supervision of the state board of regents; establishing the higher education deferred expense program; prescribing certain powers, duties and functions for the state board of regents, by Representative Sloan.

On motion of Rep. Weber, the House adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Monday, January 29, 2001.

CHARLENE SWANSON, *Journal Clerk*.

JANET E. JONES, *Chief Clerk*.

