

STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

March 10, 1965

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman who introduced Mr. Conard to discuss H.B. 728. This bill, Mr. Conard states, would abolish and reorganize the restaurant board. Mr. Tucker, representing the motel industry, discussed the proposed change, stating that because the motel industry has grown so greatly it is the feeling of their people that they should have one member on the Board. This would provide for inspection and licensing. He introduced three members of his organization, Mr. Ben Franklin, Frank Hafer and Don Compton who substantiate this request. He states that there are 7500 restaurants, 900 motels and 450 hotels in the state, and that the motels should be entitled to one man on the board. Miss Jacquart stated that there is a bill in the Senate, and wondered if the bills could be combined. Mr. Conard stated one bill would abolish the Board and move the functions to the Board of Health, but that this method only changes and name and adds a member. The Chairman inquired if they would object to operating under the Board of Health and Mr. Conard stated that he thought this bill is better than the Senate Bill. There was considerable discussion about churches and charitable organizations serving meals and having ice cream socials, and it was more or less agreed that they would probably have to be inspected under this law.

Mr. Kapelman of Myron Green's appeared as a representative of the restaurants, stating that he didn't know if they were in actual disapproval of this proposal, but he had no word of any endorsement. He stated that possibly two members should be added to the Board, with two from restaurants and one from motels, since the restaurants outnumber motels and hotels greatly.

Mr. McGill of Winfield stated that he had appeared before the Senate Committee this morning and that he feels there is some merit to this proposal.

Mr. Slocome appeared to discuss H.B. 750, stating that this would simply be a proposal to keep these charitable organizations honest, demanding that an accounting be rendered on how the contributions are spent, if requested. Mr. Beyer of Hutchinson appeared in behalf of the proposal, and suggested an amendment, attached.

Mr. Finney was introduced to discuss H.B. 664, the Surveyor's Bill, who in turn introduced Mr. Newcomer of KES. Mr. Newcomer introduced his legal counsel, Mr. Walter Scott, Dr. Reed Morris of KSU a member of the Board of Engineer's Examiners, Merle Schwab, Glen Coulter and John Cramer. Mr. Newcomer stated that KES in the past years had opposed such legislation for surveyors but now they have come up with something that a majority of the engineers can go along with. He states that it spells out who can be a surveyor, and even provides a grandfather clause for a year after the legislation is passed. Mr. Bill Reed, a realtor and Mr. Dozier an abstracter, appeared in favor of the proposal, stating that surveying should not be done by incompetent people because they get into trouble on property lines. After a period of questions, the proponents were thanked and dismissed.

Rep. Harder appeared to discuss HCR 517, for a study of the penal system. Mr. Charles McAtee appeared on behalf of the proposal, stating that a comprehensive program had been launched and needed to be enhanced. He states that the Reception and Diagnostic center was a great step, but that there is also needed a program of vocational training and one of therapy.

Dr. Karl Menninger stated that a study is badly needed, and called the Kansas system antiquated and disgraceful. He stated that if the tremendous strides could be made in the mental health program, that the same could be done for the penal institutions; that the prisons are inadequately equipped and staffed and that when a prisoner is finally released, he will probably offend again because he has had no preparation for release. Dr. Satten reiterated many of Dr. Menninger's statements (see attached). Mr. Harold Statler, representing the Kansas Council of Churches, appeared in behalf of this proposal. Mr. Oliver Ebel, Executive Secretary of the Kansas Medical Society, stated that his group had been concerned about this very thing, and had several months ago planned a full day's program along this line for their spring conference this year.

Mr. Mikesic introduced Mayor McDowell to discuss HCR 509, and he stated that this would be a "do it yourself" program in urban renewal where there would be tax abatement to help in the rebuilding of areas; that the tax on the land would be the same but that the buildings would be (or rather improvements) would be taxed on a sliding scale so that there would be some relief.

Meeting was adjourned.

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J. L. Tucker	J-Hawk Motel, Greensburg
Don Compton	Wichita
Frank Hafee	Wichita
Ben Franklin	Topeka

Opponents

Keith Kaplanman Topeka
Leo Weston, Wichita
Farris Dagg ✓
M. E. Sikes } Topeka
J. Sellers }

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FISCAL YEAR 1964

Application Fees	\$	10,255.00
License Fees:		
7,514 Restaurants		52,598.00
6,198 Apartment Houses		43,613.00
458 Hotels		4,840.00
902 Motels		7,209.00
758 Rooming Houses		3,032.00
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15,830 Licenses Issued	Total Application & License Fee Receipts----\$	121,547.00
Plus: Additional fee on a motel license, increase in no. of units		+ 1.00
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Less: Checks returned because of non-payment:		- 638.00
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Plus: Checks made good		+ 526.00
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Total (Gross Collections)		121,436.00
Less: 20% General Revenue Fund		- 24,287.20
80% Fees Fund (Net Receipts)		<hr/> 97,148.80

Sale of Automobiles (Gooldy's from prior year & four others)	\$ 3,650.33
Sale of Miscellaneous items (air-conditioners, covers, venetian blinds, light bulbs, tables, wall rack, stormrak, fan, lamp and map)	242.50
Total	\$ <u>3,892.83</u>
Total Disbursements (Fees Fund)	\$ 91,664.88
" " (Conversion of Equip. & Materials Fund)	2,988.47
" " (0413 Carry-Over Fund from prior year, paid after 7-15-63)	236.15
Total	\$ <u>94,889.50</u>
Balance of Unencumbered Cash	\$ 66,790.51
Balance in Conversion of Equip. & Materials Fund	\$ 3,276.17
Carry-Over Fund (To pay outstanding obligations such as credit card charges, \$220.30; extras \$29.70 and liability insurance on cars \$132.95)	\$ 382.95
Total Inspections for Fiscal Year 1964	30,007