

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION

The meeting was called to order by Representative Jim Braden at
Chairperson

9:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on April 7, 1983 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present ~~except~~:

Committee staff present:

Wayne Morris, Research Department
Don Hayward, Revisor of Statutes' Office
Nancy Wolff, Secretary to the Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman. The minutes of the meeting held on March 15 were approved as written.

The committee discussed House Bill 2106 which would impose an additional 4¢ tax per package of cigarettes sold in the state of Kansas. Representative Leach made a motion to remove the amendment previously placed on the bill which would allow the state to pick up the 8¢ Federal tax that was placed on cigarettes as of January 1, 1983 should such tax be abolished on or after October 1, 1985 by the federal government. Representative Roe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Representative Reardon made a conceptual motion to increase the tax from 4¢ to 5¢ and change the discount rate so the distributors do not show an increase in income from the same. Representative Vancrum seconded the motion.

Representative King made a substitute conceptual motion that all other tobacco products tax be increased by 50%. Representative V. Miller seconded the motion. The motion failed.

Representative Lowther made a substitute conceptual motion that the cigarette tax be increased by 5¢ but the discount rate be changed to 2.75%. Representative R. Frey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Representative Lowther made a motion that House Bill 2106 be reported favorable for passage as amended. Representative R. Frey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Representative Rolfs made a motion that House Bill 2053 be amended to provide that a petition of 3% of the qualified electors may bring about an election. Representative R. Frey seconded the motion. House Bill 2053 is the local option income tax bill with the revenues derived going to finance public schools.

Representative Lowther made a substitute motion that House Bill 2053 be reported favorable for passage. Representative King seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The committee then held discussion on House Bill 2130 which would increase the liquor enforcement tax from 4% to 8%. Representative Rolfs made a motion that House Bill 2130 be reported favorable for passage and Representative Lowther seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

