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Stephen R. Cloud 3-09-83
Date

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION

The meeting was called to order by Rep. Stephen R. Cloud at
Chairperson

9:05 ~~a.m.~~ ~~XXXXX~~ on March 1, 1983 in room 522-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

Avis Swartzman - Revisor
Carolyn Rampey - Research Dept.
Russ Mills - Research Dept.
Jackie Brey Meyer - Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

HB 2074	HB 2531
Rep. R. D. Miller	Joe Jenkins - Board of Abstracters
Duane Johnson - State Librarian	Rep. Duncan - Rules & Regs. Committee
Clifford Holland - State Library Board	Vera Sutton - President, Kansas Land Title Association
Marjorie Van Buren - Chief Justice's Office	

The meeting of the House Governmental Organization Committee was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Rep. Stephen R. Cloud, Chairman. The minutes of the February 24 meeting were approved as corrected. The Chairman stated that the Committee would first take up HB 2074.

HB 2074 - State library advisory commission; membership

Rep. R. D. Miller, bill sponsor, explained the bill. He said it would change the seven member board to an eight member board. The State Librarian would serve as the secretary of the board but would not be a voting member. One member would represent a regents institution, not limited to the University of Kansas or Kansas State University. The Chief Justice would no longer be a member of the Board. The Committee, itself, would elect the Chairperson. The Regent's member would be appointed by the Governor. The eighth board member would be a private citizen. Clifford Holland, State Library Board, read letters from Paul Purcell, Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice and Stanley Z. Koplik, Executive Director of the Board of Regents. Mr. Purcell's letter stated that Chief Justice Schroeder has no objection to the bill's eliminating his membership on the state library advisory commission. Mr. Koplik stated that the bill poses no problem for the Board of Regents or its institutions. (See Attachments I and II) Duane Johnson, State Librarian, spoke in favor of the bill and said that it would let the advisory board conduct business in a more orderly manner. Marjorie Van Buren, Office of the Chief Justice, went on record as being in support of the bill.

Chairman Cloud closed the hearing on HB 2074. The Committee took up HB 2531.

HB 2531 - An Act relating to the licensing of abstracters

Joe Jenkins, Chairman, Board of Abstracters gave a short overview of the board and its functions which essentially governs, licenses and regulates. It is a three member board with staggered membership. Mr. Jenkins stated that he would let Rep. Duncan continue with a run through of the bill.

Rep. Duncan gave a section by section review of the bill and what each section will accomplish. It responds to the statutory deficiencies and clears up the redundant language of the rules and regulations. HCR 5014 was adopted to help start the clean up process. The Committee asked Rep. Duncan several questions having to do with the various sections of the bill and the wording in some of the sections. Rep. Duncan stated that Norman Furze, Revisor, is drafting changes and he will get these changes to the Committee as soon as possible.

Vera Sutton, President, Kansas Land Title Association, went on record as wholeheartedly supporting the bill and commending Rep. Duncan for his efforts on the bill's behalf.

Mr. Jenkins responded with a few comments. The Chairman announced that this would close the hearing on HB 2531.

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.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION,
room 522-S, Statehouse, at 9:05 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on March 1, 1983.

The Chairman stated that the Committee would now take final action on a few bills if there was no objection.

Rep. Louis gave a short review of HB 2242, explaining what Mr. Swartz, Secretary, KDED wanted to see in the bill. The bill would abolish the division of research and publications and also the director's job. The employees of the division would be retained for other duties. Also, the duty of the department to analyze freight rates would be stricken.

Rep. Smith moved to amend HB 2242 by abolishing the director of housing but retaining the division and the employees. Rep. Louis gave a second to the motion. The motion carried.

Rep. Louis moved to pass HB 2242 as amended. Rep. Matlack gave a second to the motion. The motion carried.

HB 2478 was defined by the Chairman. He asked for questions or comments. Rep. Louis moved to pass HB 2478 favorably. Rep. Cobb gave a second to the motion. The motion carried.

HB 2479 was commented upon by the Chairman. After his explanation, Rep. Matlack moved to pass HB 2479 favorably. Rep. Hassler gave a second to the motion. The motion carried.

Chairman Cloud asked the Committee for input regarding HB 2074. Rep. Fuller said that she thought the bill contained poor wording and would like to see some changes to clarify this situation. Rep. Murphy added a few comments on how he thought the bill could be improved. The Revisor was instructed to draw up a balloon which would bring clarity to the bill. HB 2074 will be taken up on Wednesday, March 2.

General discussion began on HB 2531. It was decided that this bill needed rewording and changes were suggested. This bill was also held for later final action.

The Chairman stated that tomorrow's agenda will be HB 2502, HB 2504 and HB 2505. Thursday will be a clean up day for bills. There might be a possibility that no meeting would have to be held on Friday.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 a.m.



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Topeka, Kansas 66612

ALFRED G. SCHROEDER,
Chief Justice

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October 28, 1982

Mr. Duane F. Johnson
State Librarian
Third Floor, Statehouse
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Chief Justice Schroeder has no objection to the proposed amendment to K.S.A. 75-2546 shown in bill draft 3 RS 0024 eliminating his membership on the state library advisory commission.

As discussed previously, this change should have been made at the same time library trustee statutes were repealed. Not making the change at that time apparently was an oversight.

Thank you for providing the opportunity to approve the change in draft form.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Purcell".

PAUL PURCELL
Administrative Assistant to
to the Chief Justice

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February 25, 1983

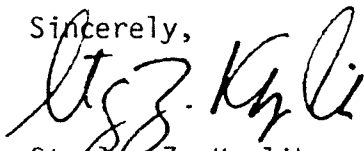
The Honorable Robert D. Miller
Kansas House of Representatives
183-W, Capitol Building
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Miller:

I have reviewed the content of House Bill 2074 and want to convey to you that the amended language being proposed on Lines 29-31 of the bill poses no problem for the Board of Regents or its institutions. This matter has been discussed among the Regents institutions' librarians and they concur with the thrust of the change being proposed.

I will not plan to be present at Tuesday morning's hearing unless you indicate to me that you feel it would be particularly helpful to have someone make the above statements to the committee. Please feel free to share the content of this letter with committee members during the course of the hearing if you desire to do so.

Sincerely,



Stanley Z. Koplik
Executive Director

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✓cc: Mr. Duane F. Johnson, State Librarian

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