

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

The meeting was called to order by Senator Paul Hess at _____
Chairperson

4:00 /a.m./p.m. on March 22, 1983, 19__ in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senators Doyen and Steineger

Committee staff present:

Research Department: Mary Galligan, Bill Gilmore, Ed Ahrens, Lyn Goering,
Julian Efird

Revisor's Office: Norman Furse

Committee Office: Mark Skinner, Doris Fager

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Kim Dewey, Sedgwick County Commissioners' representative

HB 2107 - Appropriations FY 1984, Agriculture and Related Agencies

HB 2135 - Appropriations FY 1983

HB 2135, Section , Board of Agriculture

There were no questions following Senator Werts' explanation of the subcommittee report on this section.

HB 2107, Section 2 - State Board of Agriculture

Committee members were given opportunity to question Senator Werts following his presentation of the subcommittee report on this section.

HB 2135, Section , Animal Health Department

Senator Werts presented the subcommittee report on this section, and committee members were given opportunity to question him.

HB 2107, Section 3 - Animal Health Department

Senator Werts presented the subcommittee report on Section 3. There were no questions.

HB 2135, Section 10 - Grain Inspection Department

Senator Werts explained the subcommittee report on Section 10. There were no questions.

HB 2107, Section 4 - Grain Inspection Department

Senator Werts presented the subcommittee report on this section, and committee members were given opportunity to question him.

Hb 2107, Section 5 - Kansas State Fair

There were no questions following Senator Werts explanation of the subcommittee report on this section.

HB 2107, Section 6 - Kansas Wheat Commission

There were questions concerning relocating the agency in Manhattan. Senator Werts explained this was a recommendation from the Governor, and there were no objections except from Reno County where it is now located.

HB 2107 - Continued

HB 2135 - Continued

HB 2107, Section 7 - State Conservation Commission

Senator Werts called the committee's attention to the House of Representatives Final Action in which \$350,000 was added to the General Fund appropriation for the water resources cost-sharing program and \$175,000 to the General Fund appropriation for watershed construction. He noted that this is \$525,000 above the Governor's recommendation.

Motion was made by Senator Talkington and seconded by Senator McCray to delete the funds mentioned above. Senator Talkington explained that he has no problem with funding these items, but it is one more thing that must be studied for sources of funds.

Senator Werts pointed out that these two programs go hand in hand with the extraordinary effort the Legislature has been making in the last few years with water supplies, water quality, etc. He said it is toward these ends that these funds have been appropriated, and if there is going to be a good program, the funds are needed.

The motion carried on a 4-3 vote.

HB 2135, Section , Kansas Water Office

There were no questions following Senator Werts' explanation of the subcommittee report on this section.

HB 2107, Section 8 - Kansas Water Office

There was a brief discussion concerning the Special Project Worker staff person referred to on page 2 of the subcommittee report from the House. There was also a brief discussion concerning Senate Subcommittee Recommendation No. 2

Motion was made by Senator Werts and seconded by Senator McCray to adopt the subcommittee reports as amended. The motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by Senator Werts and seconded by Senator Talkington to report HB 2107 as amended favorably for passage. The motion carried by roll call vote.

Introduction of Bills

Senator Werts stated that 1983 Session Senate Bill 360 has been re-written, with the help of the Mayor of Ogden and the Department of Transportation. The bill provides that dams may be constructed by the state instead of shall be constructed by the state. (See Attachment A)

Motion was made by Senator Werts and seconded by Senator Talkington to introduce a bill as set out in Attachment A, and to request that it be referred to Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by roll call vote.

Mr. Dewey explained that Sedgwick County would like to have a bill introduced similar to SB 306, which was killed on final vote in the Senate. This referred to county bonds to improve or repair streets or highways. He said the County would like to have this localized in Sedgwick County because of the pressing need for this type of authority. He said the large industries need the roads because they are expanding and the county has no funds for roads to keep up with the expansion.

There was an extended discussion about the long-standing problem with road construction in Sedgwick County, and the fact that the bond issue was defeated 4 to 1 on the ballot two years ago. Senator McCray expressed concern about the commissioners and members of industry testifying before a legislative committee to sell the idea to them. He stressed that the economic situation of Sedgwick County as it relates to business and jobs demands giving this proposal a try. He further stressed that the County Commissioners should sell the proposal in Sedgwick County, since it is their responsibility.

Introduction of Bills - Continued

Motion was made by Senator McCray and seconded by Senator Talkington to introduce the bill requested by Mr. Dewey, and to send a message to the Sedgwick County Commissioners and industry that they need to testify to the need of the proposal.

Senator Talkington reminded the committee that SB 306 was state-wide and didn't pass the Senate; there was a House bill in 1982 which didn't pass the Senate even though it was localized; and that if the bill is referred to Transportation and Utilities Committee there will be no hearings--it will simply be acted upon. He further stated that it would not be brought up on the floor of the Senate unless it is certain that there are enough votes to pass it, because it is a waste of the Senate's time to continue this discussion on the floor. He said that some of the Commissioners had been before his committee.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

SENATE BILL No. 360

By Committee on Transportation and Utilities

2-23

0016 AN ACT concerning highways; water protection from harm from
0017 highway improvements.

0018 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

0019 Section 1. The secretary of transportation is hereby autho-
0020 rized ~~and directed~~ to negotiate with the United States army and
0021 any other appropriate federal authorities to obtain consent to
0022 construct and maintain one or more ~~retention~~ dams on the Fort
0023 Riley military reservation. Such dams shall be constructed and
0024 maintained by the state from funds of the state highway fund
0025 together with any federal funds which can be obtained for such
0026 purpose. Upon receipt of United States army permission, such
0027 dams shall be constructed and maintained to protect the city of
0028 Ogden from flood waters flowing in streams tributary to the
0029 Kansas river whose flow is or has been obstructed or redirected
0030 by improvements to highways in the vicinity of Ogden.

0031 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after
0032 its publication in the statute book.

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an engineering and technical study shall be made in order to determine the effectiveness of the system, and if the project offers the best and most complete protection

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