

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS

The meeting was called to order by Representative Robert H. Miller at \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

1:30 a.m./p.m. on January 23, 1984 in room 526S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

- Representative Peterson - E
- Representative Barr - E

Committee staff present:

- Russ Mills, Research Department
- Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statute's Office

Conferees appearing before the committee:

- Senator Richard Gannon
- Representative Sandy Duncan
- Representative Wanda Fuller
- Jon Josserand, Secretary of State's Office

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SB233 - Memorial grave markers for deceased legislators

Senator Gannon gave testimony in support of SB233. Senator Gannon told the committee he was proud to serve in the Kansas Legislature and that he had a great deal of respect for many members of this body who have served before him. Since this bill isn't going to cost the state, Senator Gannon said he could not see any opposition to it. The initial cost of designing the seal or medalion has been estimated at \$400-\$500. Individuals would pay \$40-\$50 for cost of medalion.

Hearings were concluded on SB233.

HB2376 - Distribution of statute books to members of the legislature.

Representative Duncan explained this bill and why it was introduced. Each legislator receives two sets of statute books and three sets of supplements each year. Currently \$84,850 is spent each year. Over the next four year period, the state would save approximately \$187,000 if this bill is passed.

There was discussion about whose budget the volumes and supplements are taken. The argument about law students receiving extra volumes was answered by Representative Duncan saying that books are not given to other students in other areas.

A committee member was concerned about the fact that the statutes books given out are not kept up to date.

HB2342 - Distribution of KSA to members of legislature

Representative Wanda Fuller gave testimony in support of HB2342 and gave a brief history. When the legislators did not have offices (1943) House members were given one set of statute books. In 1963 they were given two sets each regular session. At that time there was only one session every two years.

Jon Josserand, Secretary of State's Office, told the committee that a third of a million dollars is spent yearly on KSA distribution to entities. Printing of the statutes and supplements is taken out of the Revisor of Statute's budget and all the overhead is taken out of the Secretary of State's budget.

Hearings on HB2376 and HB2342 were concluded.

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Representative Sallee made a motion, seconded by Representative Fuller, that HB2599 be reported favorably and request that it be placed on the Consent Calendar. The motion carried.

Representative Matlack made a motion, seconded by Representative Ramirez, to report H5053 adversely.

Representative Smith told the committee that having been a member of the Interim Committee he could see some of the things that caused concern about co-corrections. He said that he had not been appraised of anything different since last summer so will oppose the motion.

Representative Fuller expressed concerns that co-corrections at KCIL would jeopardize women moving out to a lesser confined area.

Representative Brady raised the question of why, since this resolution came out of an Interim Committee, no one from that committee testified. They alluded to incidents, but did not actually share any information with this committee.

Representative Ramirez told the committee that during all the discussion held as to who was going to replace the former secretary, he didn't hear anything against Secretary Barbara and now we are trying to tell him what to do. He needs to be given a chance; if he doesn't do a good job, then we can look into it.

A vote on the motion was taken. The motion carried.

HB2616 - Correctional institutions, examination and confinement of male and female persons, reception and diagnostic center mission changed Re Proposals No. 12 and 13.

Representative Runnels made a motion, seconded by Representative Sughrue, to report HB2616 adversely.

Representative Fuller asked that the committee think back and see if they were satisfied that the diagnostic evaluation could be handled administratively. She felt women were not receiving team type evaluation and wants to make sure women get the same level of evaluation. If this bill does not pass, women may not get the same evaluation as men.

Representative Hensley asked if a committee bill could be drafted to include only Sec. 4 of this bill. This would give the secretary an opportunity to testify directly to this point. The chairman told the committee that he didn't recall a committee member asking the Secretary at hearings specifically about this point.

Representative Hensley made a substitute motion, seconded by Representative Vancrum, to table HB2616. The motion carried.

Chairman Miller asked Representatives Fuller and Hensley to visit with the Secretary about Sec. 4 and report back to the committee.

HB2666 - Legislative post audit access to records and other materials of specified persons

Representative Roe made a motion, seconded by Representative Vancrum, that HB2666 be reported favorably. The motion carried.

HB2621 - Whistleblower act to protect state employees who provide information regarding operation of state agency. Re proposal No. 19

Representative Vancrum made a motion, seconded by Representative Aylward, to amend the bill by changing in line 31 "The State Civil Service Board" to "The Department of Administration" to adopt rules and regulations; and by striking lines 56-63.

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There was discussion on what penalty could be imposed on supervisors; the feeling being that five year banishment from state government was to severe.

Representative Matlack made a motion, seconded by Representative Ott, to table HB2621 to allow people to come in with their amendments in writing. The motion carried.

Chairman Miller reminded the committee that there are a lot of bills in committee and it would be hepful if they could have amendments in writing at the time bills are taken up.

Representative Grotewiel made a motion, seconded by Representative Aylward, to approve the minutes of the January 19 meeting as corrected. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.