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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Ways and Means

The meeting was called to order by Bill Bunten at  
Chairperson

1:30 ~~am~~/p.m. on Monday, January 28, 1985 in room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Louis (excused)

Committee staff present: Gloria Timmer - Legislative Research  
Laura Howard - Legislative Research  
Jim Wilson - Office of the Revisor  
Sharon Schwartz - Administrative Assistant  
Nadine Young - Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Dr. Russ Getter, Director of Information Systems and Communications

Others present: (Attachment I)

Chairman Bunten called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

HB 2027 -- an act concerning telecommunications services for state agencies; relating to procedures for the acquisition thereof; disposition of fees and charges collected therefor; amending K.S.A. 75-4710 and repealing the existing section.

Dr. Getter briefly explained the purpose of the bill. HB 2027 came out of the interim Ways and Means committee and provides for a negotiating team for the provision of telecommunication services. It also provides for a request for proposals from vendors and exempts these particular purchases from the bidding law. This particular bill is specifically limited to telecommunication service and does not pertain to data processing as such. The bill was recommended favorably by the CCT committee.

Chairman asked for a motion and Representative Shriver moved that HB 2027 be recommended favorably for passage. It was seconded by Representative Duncan. The motion carried.

Chairman pointed out to the members that the state's telephone bill is currently running about \$16 million per year. This is a very large item and all committee members need to be familiar with what's happening in this area.

Dr. Getter took the floor and presented an overview on telecommunications. He provided two packets which contain information relative to this matter. (copy on file in the Ways and Means office-Room 514-S). He said that if no action is taken, total annual cost may rise from \$16 million to \$17.5 million in FY 86 and to \$19 or \$21 million in FY 87. Agency demands for voice, data and video network system continues to grow. Also, divesture and deregulation have created an entirely new structure for telecommunications.

The state's long distance bill for calls outside the KANS-A-N network is running about \$12,000 to \$15,000 per month. The state can continue with AT&T, without penalty, only until May, 1985. There are five overall strategies to be considered. (A) Do nothing (B) Have a state owned and operated system (C) Have a general contractor owned system (D) Cooperate with existing private sector, or (E) some combination of the above.

Committee expressed some concern with committing to a 10-year term, feeling the system would be obsolete by then. Dr. Getter said that 10 years is the projected life for the equipment and service, and felt this would be the most economical for the state. He said we need to take the whole system and make implementation step by step, doing one piece at a time, thereby learning from each step we take. He urged the committee to work closely on this during current session and work right on through next session before making the final decision in 1987.

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 Ways and Means,  
room 514-S, Statehouse, at 1:30 ~~am~~ p.m. on Monday, January 28, 1985

Chairman asked for a motion on the Minutes for January 22, 23, 24 and 25. Representative Duncan moved the minutes be approved, as written. Seconded by Representative Chronister. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 29, 1985 at 1:30 p.m.

Date 1-28-85

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Your committee on Ways and Means

Recommends that HB 2027

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be passed.

*Dies Austin* Chairman.