

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Local Government

The meeting was called to order by Senator Don Montgomery at
Chairperson

9:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~^{XX} on Wednesday, February 20, 1985 in room 531-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Mulich and Senator Winter who were excused

Committee staff present: Mike Heim, Theresa Kiernan, Lila McClaflin

Conferees appearing before the committee: Chris McKenzie, League of Municipalities
Ernie Mosher, League of Municipalities
Senator Francisco, Mulvane, KS.
Judy Anderson, City of Wichita, Wichita, KS.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

Senator Allen moved to accept the minutes of the February 19, 1985 meeting. Senator Daniels seconded the motion. The motion carried.

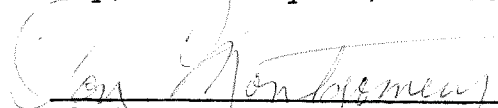
The chairman called the committees attention to the balloon of S.B. 76. Chris McKenzie explained each amendment. Discussion followed on the time limit for payment of the specail assessments before action could be taken in the courts. Ernie Mosher was questioned if the limits were to lenient, he stated, as a practical matter he was sure this devise would only be used by a city when they were sure they would never be able to collect the debt otherwise. He felt cities would be glad to have the bill.

Hearings were opened on S.B. 115, relating to annexation. This bill would require cities to provide the major municipal services, if within 10 years following annexation, they are not provided, any landowner in the area may petition the board of county commissioners to exclude the area from the boundaries of the city.

Senator Francisco testified before the committee in favor of the bill. He stated that Wichita has a problem with an area of land that they annexed about 20 years ago. They still do not have any city services in this area. They have paid city taxes all these years and never received services. Many now are retirement age and can not afford to pay the specials that these services would entail. He had met with the League of Municipalities and the City of Wichita's representative, and worked on some amendments to the bill. These amendments were presented by Chris McKenzie. Mr. McKenzie stated a new bill could be introduced. The chairman appointed a sub-committee, to meet with Senator Francisco, Mr. McKenzie and Judy Anderson, they are to bring a recommendation to the committee. The sub-committee members are as follows: Senator Allen, Chairman, Senator Daniels and Senator Langworthy.

The committee referred back to S.B. 76. Senator Bogina moved to have a substitute bill drafted for S.B. 76. Senator Gaines seconded the motion. The motion carried. Senator Bogina moved to report the substitute bill favorably for passage. Senator Salisbury seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned until Wednesday, February 27, 1985.



Chairman, Don Montgomery

