

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Local Government

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

9:12 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on Monday, March 11, 1985 in room 531-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senators: Allen, Bogina, and Winter who were excused.

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

Conferees appearing before the committee: Ernie Mosher, League of Kansas Municipalities

The chairman called the meeting to order.

The hearing on S.B. 256 was continued. The chairman ask if the committee had reviewed the opinion from the State Board of Tax Appeals.

Ernie Mosher, League of Kansas Municipalities, was called on, he stated the property would be tax exempt if the governmental unit had authority to issue bonds and the title of the property remained in the hands of the governmental agency. This statute has been in place for about 10 to 12 years.

The chairman suggested that maybe the question is whether the properties are being used exclusively by the airport authority or does leasing it out to be used for another purpose render this invalid.

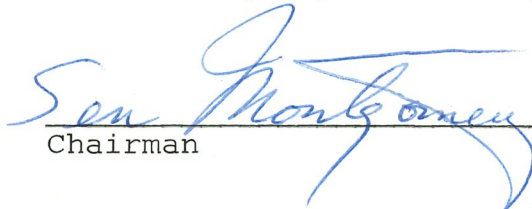
Senator Daniels stated at this time there are many unanswered questions and she does not feel that this is a local problem. The airport authorities tax exemption does affect the funding, school district equalization funding goes down because of exempt properties, it affects the state tax base. A post audit review has been requested and until this is available and more questions are answered it is hard to know what legislation if any is needed.

Senator Francisco stated at this time, they would settle for just the amendment that was presented by Senator Yost.

After discussion. Senator Daniels moved to accept the amendment presented on Thursday by Senator Yost. Senator Mulich seconded the motion. The motion carried. Senator Steineger moved to pass the bill as amended. Senator Mulich seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Senator Steineger moved to accept the minutes of the March 7, 1985 meeting. Senator Mulich seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The chairman announced the meetings Tuesday through Thursday would be on the call of the chairman. The meeting adjourned.


Chairman

