

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

The meeting was called to order by Senator August "Gus" Bogina at
Chairperson

11:00 a.m./p.m. on March 7, 1985 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Doyen

Committee staff present:

Research Department: Robin Hunn, Lynne Holt, Carolyn Rampey

Revisor's Office: Norman Furse

Committee Office: Doris Fager, Judy Bromich

Conferees appearing before the committee:

SB 88 - Appropriations for FY 1986, Department of Education, etc.

SB 161 - Appropriations for FY 1986, Department of Education, etc.

SB 161 - Kansas State Library

Senator Bogina presented the subcommittee report on this section. There were no questions.

SB 88 - Section 2, Kansas State Library

During discussion of the subcommittee report on Section 2, Senator Bogina explained that the \$1.2 million referred to in recommendation No. 6 was also recommended by the Governor. The subcommittee is merely recommending that a portion of that money (\$15,000) be used to replace lost books.

SB 88 - Section 3, Department of Revenue--School District Income Tax Rebate

There were no questions following Senator Bogina's presentation of the subcommittee report on this section.

SB 88 - Section 4, School for the Visually Handicapped

Senator Bogina explained the subcommittee report on this section and members of the committee were given the opportunity to question him.

SB 88 - Section 5, School for the Deaf

SB 161, School for the Deaf

There were no questions concerning the subcommittee's report on SB 161. Following the presentation of the report on SB 88, Section 5, there was discussion concerning the declining enrollments at the School for the Deaf and the School for the Visually Handicapped. It was explained that part of the decline at the School for the Deaf is the result of a decline in rubella outbreaks affecting small children. The other reason for the decline in both schools is a federal act passed in 1975 which requires that special education and handicapped students must be educated in the least restrictive environment. (Federal Education for All Handicapped Children Act, PL 94-142). Consequently, more handicapped children are being educated in public schools.

Senator Bogina said the facilities being discussed could house many more people. He suggested that a long range policy needs to be adopted to decide what should be done with both of these institutions.

SB 161 - Department of Education

Following his presentation of the subcommittee report on this section, Senator Bogina explained that there were other alternatives to the recommendation made by the subcommittee, but that this seemed to be the most agreeable to all parties involved.

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SB 88 - Section 6, Department of Education

In connection with the subcommittee report on this section, there was discussion concerning recommendation No. 3, regarding consumer education programs. Staff explained that the Board of Regents was asked last year to submit proposals concerning use of funds if such funds were transferred from the Department of Education. Senator Gaines added that the transfer was made to Kansas State University because there is a faculty member on campus who is an expert on consumer affairs.

Senator Feleciano questioned deletion of \$613,760 as recommended in No. 5. Senator Bogina explained that this was deleted from the school finance bill, and subcommittee action is in compliance with that deletion. He added that many school districts provide pre-school special education with local funding.

There was extended discussion regarding recommendation No. 6. Senator Johnston indicated that he did not feel this recommendation made clear that the subcommittee agreed to introduce a bill amending the statute referred to in the recommendation. Motion was made by Senator Johnston and seconded by Senator Harder to introduce such a bill, and to amend the subcommittee report accordingly.

Following a short discussion on the above motion, Senator Harder made a substitute motion which was seconded by Senator Feleciano to delete all of recommendation No. 6 from the subcommittee report.

Senator Harder explained that he made the substitute motion because several people are continuing to gather information concerning special education. Because of conflicting information from various sources, Senator Harder stated that a special meeting has been called for next week to hear all the information. Because of this, he indicated he felt it would be best to delete recommendation No. 6.

Senator Johnson observed that he felt this should be left in the report in order to be consistent with other recommendations, i.e., No. 5.

The substitute motion carried by voice vote.

Senator Bogina explained that the deletion had been made in recommendation No. 7 because the bill to increase the maximum funding from \$150 to \$175 has not yet passed. The same explanation was given for recommendations No. 8 and 9.

Referring to the second paragraph of recommendation No. 10, concerning introduction of legislation, Senator Bogina explained that this would provide support for four years of education at Washburn instead of the two years now being provided. There was extended discussion concerning the amount of state aid provided for Washburn University, with some members of the committee expressing opposition to increasing such aid.

SB 88 - Section 7, Advisory Council for Vocational Education

During discussion concerning this section, motion was made by Senator Harder and seconded by Senator Talkington to amend the subcommittee report to call attention to the fact that a change had been made in the Advisory Council. The motion carried by voice vote.

SB 88 - Section 8, Public Television Board

SB 161 - Public Television Board

There were no questions concerning the subcommittee's report for FY 1985.

During presentation of the subcommittee report on SB 88, Section 8, Senator Bogina explained that the funds deleted by recommendation No. 2 are part of a proposed new program.

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It was noted by staff during discussion on recommendation No. 2 that HB 2007 provides that the authority of the Kansas Public Television Board be extended to include radio stations. This bill has passed the House of Representatives, and was referred to the Senate Committee on Governmental Organization on March 6. In answer to a question from Senator Winter, Senator Bogina indicated that the deletion of funds in No. 2 is not related to provisions of that bill. Senator Winter said he would like to have an opportunity to reconsider that recommendation, either at the present time or in the Omnibus Bill.

Senator Gannon stressed that it would be good to have public television in Northwest Kansas. He said he felt it should be provided for all areas of the state. Senator Bogina suggested that the Bunker Hill station has not had enough local support.

Motion was made by Senator Gaines and seconded by Senator Talkington to adopt the subcommittee report as amended; and to report SB 88 as amended favorably for passage. The motion carried by roll call vote.

Motion was made by Senator Gaines and seconded by Senator Talkington to approve committee minutes for March 1, 4 and 5. The motion carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

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COMMITTEE: Senate Ways and Means

DATE: MARCH 7, 1985

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