

Approved February 11, 1986

Date

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Governmental Organization

The meeting was called to order by Senator Vidricksen at
Chairperson

1:43 ~~xx~~p.m. on February 10, 1986 in room 531N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Bogina
Senator Strick-excused on personal emergency

Committee staff present:

Julian Efird - Research
Arden Ensley - Revisor

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Brad Welch - Kansas County Appraisers Association

The Chairman called the meeting to order and asked the Revisor to brief the Committee on SB 406 amending the open records act.

The Revisor explained that this bill came out of an interim study of the Assessment and Taxation Committee and pointed out the new language inserted in lines 194-197.

Brad Welch addressed the Committee requesting favorable support for SB 406 stating that they felt that individual and corporate income and expense data should not be open for public inspection and gave several reasons for this opinion. (Exhibit A)

The Committee then raised several questions for Mr. Welch and after considerable discussion the Revisor was requested to obtain additional information and report back to the Committee. Further hearings will be scheduled on this bill at a later date.

A motion was made by Senator Hoferer to approve the minutes of the February 4 meeting. This was seconded by Senator Frey. Motion carried.

The meeting was then adjourned by the Chairman.

GUEST LIST

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Honorable Senator Ben E. Vidricksen
Chairman, Governmental Organization Committee
State Capitol Building
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

My name is Brad Welch. I am currently the county appraiser for two counties in western Kansas, and at present I am also serving as the President of the Kansas County Appraisers Association (KCAA). Thank you for this opportunity to appear before your committee in support of Senate Bill #406.

The KCAA's legislative committee has discussed this proposal and have come to the conclusion that individual and corporate income and expense data should not be open for public inspection for the following reasons:

1. Senate Bill #164 mandates the reappraisal of all real property in the State of Kansas. This endeavor has an estimated cost of \$50,000,000. The appraisal of income producing properties relies heavily on the Income Approach

Professional Designation



Certified Kansas Appraiser

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EXHIBIT A

Attachment A.
Sen. Gov. Org.

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to value of which the income and expense data is an intricate part of.

2. The very nature of income and expense data is personal; public scrutiny of this information could well lead to public embarrassment, competitive advantages, and a general unwillingness of the business community to cooperate.

3. Historically the best income and expense data made available to appraisers has been after the fact. I would suggest to you had this information been made available before the fact, the costly appeal procedure could have been avoided in many cases. We further suggest to you if we can insure the business community this information will not be available for public scrutiny, this data will be more readily available to local appraisers.

A price tag of an estimated \$50,000,000 or more for implementation of Senate Bill #164 does not give us the luxury of guessing at appraisals; we must make our judgments and decisions based on the best data available. We suggest

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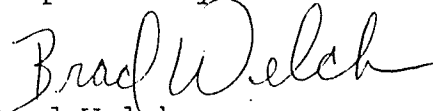
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to you Senate Bill #406 will help acheive these goals. We
respectively request favorable recommendation for Senate Bill
#406 from this committee. Thank you for your time.

Respectively submitted



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