

Approved April 7, 1986
Date

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 April 1, 1986 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

Research Department: Robin Hunn, Ray Hauke, Laura Howard, Paul West
Revisor's Office: Norman Furse
Committee Office: Judy Bromich

Conferees appearing before the committee:

HB 2776 - Appropriations for FY 1987, Department of Administration, etc.
HB 2801 - Supplemental Appropriations for FY 1986, Department of Administration, etc.

HB 2801 - Section 2 - Department of Administration

Senator Werts presented the subcommittee report on this section, and committee members were given the opportunity to question him. Senator Bogina asked if the subcommittee considered House subcommittee recommendation No. 1, which lapsed funding for parking space for 94 additional cars at the existing printing plant site. Senator Werts said this item was not considered, because the subcommittee was told that there was consideration being given to a parking lot at the north end of Van Buren, and that trolleys would be used to ferry employees from there to the capitol complex.

Senator Bogina indicated that there is no conflict between the two proposals, because the 94 additional spaces would help alleviate visitor parking shortages. Senator Doyen said it seems that the more space that are provided, the less car pooling is done, and he is not in favor of the addition to the parking lot. Senator Bogina reminded the committee that it had been approved by the Joint Committee on State Building Construction.

Motion was made by Senator Feleciano and seconded by Senator Gannon to reinsert the \$48,336 which was lapsed by the House subcommittee in its recommendations. The motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by Senator Feleciano and seconded by Senator Harder to clarify Senate Subcommittee recommendation No 1, on page 7, by noting that the subcommittee is not recommending restoration of more than two positions for the Municipal Accounting Unit at this time. The motion carried by voice vote.

HB 2776 - Section 3 - State Finance Council

Following Senator Werts review of the subcommittee report on this section, committee members were given opportunity to question him.

HB 2801 - Park and Resources Authority

There were no questions from members of the committee following Senator Werts' review of the subcommittee report on this section.

HB 2776 - Section 4 - Park and Resources Authority

During discussion of the subcommittee report, Senator Gannon asked about HB 3106, the legislation introduced as a result of House subcommittee recommendation No. 8. It was noted that it had been referred to Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee.

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.

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HB 2801 - Fish and Game Commission

Committee members were given the opportunity to ask questions following the presentation of the subcommittee report by Senator Werts.

HB 2776 - Section 5 - Fish and Game Commission

During discussion of the subcommittee report on this section, Senator Bogina asked about House subcommittee recommendation No. 3, which adds \$38,500 for replacement vehicles. He asked if this was included in the recommendation for additional vehicles in the subcommittee report for the Department of Administration. Senator Werts said it was the understanding of the Senate Subcommittee that the two are not connected.

Senator Gannon asked about the deletion of \$213,000 in House recommendation No. 9 associated with repair of the dam and spillway at Lake Meade State Park. Senator Werts explained that the deletion was made because the Commission was informed by the United States Department of Interior that the funds which they planned to use were not available for that purpose. He added that it is his understanding this does not mean the Lake Meade project is not desirable if other funding can be found.

Senator Bogina referred to House subcommittee recommendation No. 8, and asked about the lack of donations for the Cheyenne Bottoms project. Staff indicated that people do not like the idea that donations will be used to repay the State General Fund.

There was a brief discussion concerning the transfer of funds to the Department of Corrections to raise birds. Senator Gaines said there are no pheasants left in Western Kansas, and it is his opinion this could be a conservation project performed by inmates in Corrections institutions. Staff stated it is difficult for birds to survive after they have been set free, and the projects are not economical. Senator Gaines said he probably would raise the issue during consideration of the Omnibus Appropriations bill.

HB 2801 - Kansas Corporation Commission

There were no questions following the review of the subcommittee report on this section by Senator Werts.

HB 2776 - Section 6 - Kansas Corporation Commission

During discussion concerning the subcommittee report on this section, Senator Werts explained that the report is based on HB 3117, and the subcommittee is suggesting that HB 3117 as amended be inserted in HB 2776.

HB 2801 - Section 14 - State Historical Society

Senator Feleciano presented the subcommittee report on this section. He noted that the funding recommended in the Senate subcommittee report is in addition to the \$85,000 restored in House subcommittee recommendation No.2.

HB 2776 - Section 7 - State Historical Society

During Senator Feleciano's review of the subcommittee report on this section, Senator Bogina questioned Senate subcommittee recommendation No. 7, and asked if it is common practice to fund local historical societies. The members of the subcommittee noted that they had made no recommendation, but that the funding is in the bill at this time.

Motion was made by Senator Harder and seconded by Senator Kerr to delete the funding inserted by House Committee of the Whole for a pass-through

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grant to the First Black Historical Society in Wichita, Kansas. The motion carried by voice vote.

Senator Bogina noted that there is no funding in HB 2776 for purchase of the Charles Curtis home. Senator Werts said he agreed that there is merit to acquiring the home. He indicated that the state cannot afford to maintain the sites now available, and there is need to put into place a long term plan concerning this problem. Senator Johnston agreed with Senator Bogina that the Curtis home is of very high priority and significance. Following a brief discussion, motion was made by Senator Johnston and seconded by Senator Kerr to appropriate \$25,000 for FY 1987 for the purchase of an option to buy the Curtis property if it becomes available; and that the release of the \$25,000 would be subject to State Finance Council approval. The motion carried by voice vote.

A conceptual motion was made by Senator Doyen to appropriate \$11,000 for FY 1986, to be reappropriated in FY 1987, for the purpose of employing temporary help to research records for names of peace officers to be included on the peace officers' memorial to be placed on the grounds of the state capitol building. The motion was seconded by Senator Johnston and carried by voice vote.

Senator Gannon noted the Historical Society is needing professional personnel. Senator Werts answered that one professional has been added to HB 2776, that the subcommittee is aware of the need, and that it was determined that the need will have to be met gradually.

Senator Kerr had questions concerning funding for the five historical sites mentioned in Senate subcommittee recommendation No. 5. Senator Werts clarified the recommendation for Senator Kerr.

Motion was made by Senator Werts and seconded by Senator Feleciano to adopt the subcommittee reports as amended. The motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by Senator Werts and seconded by Senator Feleciano to insert all of HB 3117 as amended into HB 2776. The motion carried by voice vote.

Motion was made by Senator Doyen and seconded by Senator Feleciano to report HB 2776 as amended favorably for passage. The motion carried by roll call vote.

Motion was made by Senator Doyen and seconded by Senator Feleciano to report HB 2801 as amended favorably for passage. The motion carried by roll call vote.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.