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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE, JUDICIAL AND CONGRESSIONAL
APPORTIONMENT

The meeting was called to order by Representative Ed Bideau at
Chairperson

11:20 a.m./~~XX~~ on January 29, 1987, 19__ in room 529 - S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representatives Knopp, Miller, Grotewiel - excused.

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Research
Raney Gilliland, Research
Myrta Anderson, Research
Kay Coen, Secretary to the Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Dr. George McCleary, University of Kansas

Mr. Robert Coldsnow, Legislative Counsel, introduced Dr. George McCleary, a cartographer, from the University of Kansas, who presented a slide presentation reviewing the Block Boundary Suggestion Project. The project was initiated because of some of the problems in mapping the 1980 census.

Dr. McCleary and his project group have already conducted an analysis on voting precinct boundaries in Kansas and have already begun working with local election officials across the state to make suggested changes that would match precinct boundaries with with easily identifiable physical features.

Dr. McCleary reviewed the Block Boundary Suggestion Project work with the Committee and stated that new suggested precinct boundaries have been compiled and provided to county election officers in all counties of the state so that every precinct in the state has available new suggested boundaries to comply with the provisions of HB 2039. Dr. McCleary was in support of the bill.

Dr. McCleary also suggested to the committee that Kansas counties name or number all the roads in their jurisdictions. This would make it possible to set out in narrative terms the precise boundaries for all of the state's 125 state representative districts and 40 state senatorial districts.

After some follow-up comments from Mr. Coldsnow, the meeting was adjourned.