

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONThe meeting was called to order by SENATOR JOSEPH C. HARDER at
Chairperson1:30 ~~xxx~~ p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 1987 in room 254-E of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Parrish, excused

Committee staff present:

Mr. Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department
Ms. Avis Swartzman, Legislative Revisor's Office
Mrs. Millie Randell, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

HB 2528 - Vocational education, state plan of accountability, report to
governor and legislature (Legislative Commission on Kansas
Economic Development)Proponents:

Mr. W. W. Musick, Chairman, State Board of Education

SB 381 - An act establishing the Kansas honors scholarship program for
Kansas honor students (Ways and Means)Proponents:Ms. Clantha McCurdy, Director of Student Financial Aid, State Board
of Regents
Ms. Kay Coles, Director of Communications, Kansas-National Education
Association

After calling the meeting to order, the Chairman extended an invitation to the Committee to attend a buffet dinner and presentation to be hosted by IBM, Topeka, on Tuesday, March 31, beginning at 6:30 p.m. He said that Mr. Proctor Houston, Director of IBM Educational Systems, Atlanta, will be making an important presentation specifically addressing the technical impact on education with emphasis on improving literacy. He introduced Mr. M. C. Troutt, Advisory Marketing Representative, who, he explained, is making arrangements for this presentation. The Chairman said that individual invitations would follow. However, the Chairman later announced that it would be necessary to reschedule the time for the presentation and that he would announce the new time as soon as possible.

When the Chairman asked for the Committee's consideration of the minutes, Senator Warren moved that the minutes of the Committee meeting of March 24 be approved. Senator Karr seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The Chair then introduced Mr. W. W. Musick, Chairman, State Board of Education. Mr. Musick explained that HB 2528 requires the State Board to prepare and administer a state plan of accountability for approved vocational education programs, and he recommended that the Committee report the bill favorably. (Attachment 1)

SB 381 - Ms. Clantha McCurdy, Director of Student Financial Aid, Board of Regents, said that SB 381 represents one response to the "braindrain" in Kansas. Stating that Kansas must become a recruiting agent for its own students, Ms. McCurdy explained that SB 381 would encourage and motivate intellectually talented students to continue postsecondary study in Kansas by paying the cost of tuition and fees for a maximum of five credit hours for honor students who have not yet graduated from high school. SB 381 carries no fiscal note, stated Ms. McCurdy, because the Board simply seeks authority to use up to one percent of the existing state scholarship funds appropriated annually to meet the needs for this program. (Attachment 2) In response to questions, Ms. McCurdy replied that the number of students participating in this program varies among the different campuses according to criteria set up by each particular institution. She also replied that a campus administrator would select the students. Ms. McCurdy emphasized that it is the intent of the bill to try to help students with financial need.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

room 254-E, Statehouse, at 1:30 a.m./p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 1987

Testifying as a proponent of SB 381 on behalf of 20,000 members of the Kansas-National Education Association, Ms. Kay Coles stated that SB 381 would encourage students to remain in the state after graduation. Ms. Coles said that her organization does have one concern regarding SB 381, and that concern, she explained, is found on lines 88-90. (Attachment 3)

Following testimony by Ms. Coles, the Chairman announced that the hearing on SB 381 was concluded, and he said the bill would be taken under consideration.

HB 2013 - The Chair then asked the Committee to turn its attention to HB 2013, relating to the establishment of a Kansas Career-Work-Study Program, which was under consideration by the Committee yesterday. Following discussion pertaining to the percentage of funds that might be needed for administrative costs of the program, Senator Salisbury made a motion to restore the language in Section 4. (b), and the motion was seconded by Senator Aramsmith. Senator Karr made a substitute motion to report HB 2013, as amended, favorably for passage. This motion was seconded by Senator Warren, and the motion carried.

HB 2020 - When the Chair asked for Committee discussion and/or action on HB 2020, relating to residency requirements at the Regents' schools, Senator Langworthy moved to recommend HB 2020 favorably for passage. The motion was seconded by Senator Montgomery. Mr. Ted Ayres, General Counsel, Board of Regents, who was in attendance, responded to a question by stating that although the bill might be difficult to administer, it would not be impossible. He said that although a statement from the employer would be required, they would also have to rely upon the honesty of the employer. About eighty percent of residency cases, he said, would be considered to be borderline. When the Chair called for a vote on the motion by Senator Langworthy and seconded by Senator Montgomery, the motion carried.

The Chairman announced that although the Agenda listed tomorrow's meeting to be "on call", the Committee will meet to hear testimony by those conferees who were unable to testify on HB 2102 due to a time constraint. HB 2102, he said, relates to governance of higher education institutions.

He then adjourned the meeting.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

TIME: 1:30 p.m. PLACE: 254-E DATE: Wednesday, March 25, 1987

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TO: Senate Education Committee
FROM: State Board of Education
SUBJECT: 1987 House Bill 2528

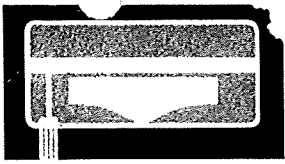
My name is Bill Musick, Chairman of the State Board of Education from Minneapolis. I appreciate the opportunity to appear before this Committee on behalf of the State Board.

House Bill 2528 requires the State Board of Education to prepare and administer a state plan of accountability for approved vocational education programs. The state plan would include standards of performance for measuring effectiveness in meeting the needs of business and industry. This would include the placement and earnings of program completers, satisfaction of employers with job skills, and the performance of program completers on occupational proficiency examinations.

The State Board of Education would prepare a report by no later than February 1 of each year for the Governor and Legislature. The report would include an analysis and supporting data relating to the administration of the state plan of accountability.

The State Board of Education recommends that you report House Bill 2528 favorably for passage.

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Attachment 1



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SENATE BILL 381
KANSAS HONORS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Testimony by
Clantha McCurdy
Director of Student Financial Aid

March 25, 1987

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Attachment 2

Overview

Consistent with the Board of Regents' emphasis on scholastic achievement at all levels, I am proposing to you today the adoption of Senate Bill 381 which establishes the Kansas Honor Scholarship Program.

The purpose and intention of Senate Bill 381 is that of providing a positive educational experience in Kansas for honor student who have not yet graduated from high school. The primary emphasis is that of encouraging and motivating intellectually talented students to continue postsecondary study in Kansas.

Senate Bill 381 establishes funding for the cost of tuition and fees for a maximum of five credit hours. Other expenses, such as room and board or books and supplies, must be paid by the student.

Rationale

With the recent attention on "braindrain", the loss of many of our intellectually talented students to other states for postsecondary education, Kansas must make available attractive programs which will assist in the retention of our resources. In essence, Kansas must become a recruiting agent for its own students. The adoption of Senate Bill 381 will provide the state with another means of retaining intellectually talented students for future education and employment purposes.

The intent of honor programs at state institutions is that of providing an intellectually stimulating and challenging environment, while at the same time, enhancing the student's self-esteem. It is the belief of the Board of Regents that providing a positive educational experience to high achieving students at Kansas colleges and universities will enhance the chances of that student selecting the same or a similar Kansas institution for postsecondary study.

Additionally, establishing a program for tuition assistance to students eligible to participate in honor or gifted programs assures equal access to such programs, regardless of the economic background of the student's family.

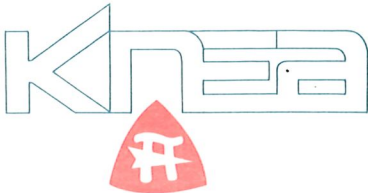
Costs

Senate Bill 381 carries no fiscal note. The Board of Regents simply seeks authority to use up to one percent of the existing State Scholarship funds appropriated annually to meet the needs of this program. Currently the State Scholarship Program is funded at \$1,080,431. One percent of these available dollars will provide approximately \$10,800 to assist qualified students with college tuition expenses.

Most students participating in honor or gifted programs are able to receive a maximum of five college credit hours. The average award to students participating in the Kansas Honor Scholarship Program will be approximately \$250. As with other state funded student aid programs, only students demonstrating financial need will be considered.

Summary

The approval of Senate Bill 381 will provide Kansas with another mechanism to potentially fight the "braindrain" by encouraging our best young minds to attend universities and colleges in Kansas. We encourage your support for the Kansas Honor Scholarship Program.



Kay Coles testimony before the
Senate Education Committee
March 25, 1987

Thank you Mr. Chairman. Members of the Committee, my name is Kay Coles and I am here today representing the 20,000 members of Kansas-NEA. I appreciate the opportunity to speak with you in support of SB 381.

This legislation creates the Kansas honors scholarship program - a concept Kansas-NEA supports. We believe it is important to encourage our honors students to remain in Kansas for their advanced education and to encourage them to remain in the state after graduation. SB 381 is one step toward reaching this goal.

We do have one concern about the bill. On lines 88 - 90, the Board of Regents is given the option to help fund the honors scholarship by reducing by 1% the amount of money appropriated for the state scholarship program. We believe both programs serve important purposes and - if both are valid - both should be adequately funded.

Thank you for listening to our concerns. I would be happy to answer any questions.

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Attachment 3