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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Appropriations

The meeting was called to order by Bill Bunten at
Chairperson

9:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on April 26, 1988 in room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present.

Committee staff present: Legislative Research: Diane Duffy, Ellen Piekalkiewicz,
and others.
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Sharon Schwartz, Administrative Aide
Sue Krische, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: see attached list.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES--Representative Helgerson moved that the minutes of March 21, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30, and April 1 and 4, 1988 be approved as presented. Seconded by Representative Chronister. Motion carried.

The Committee continued review of the Governor's Budget Amendment memorandum (see Attachment 2 on Minutes of April 25, 1988).

Department of Human Resources--Item Nos. 47, 48, and 49 have been approved previously.

Larned State Hospital--Item Nos. 50, 51, and 52 are approved. Discussion followed on the difficulty of complying with HCFA when they have no written standards.

Osawatomie State Hospital--Item No. 53 was handled previously during omnibus consideration. On Item No. 54, the Committee approved funding \$150,000 in FY 1988 to offset a shortfall and waiting to fund any anticipated shortfall for FY 1989 until next year.

Topeka State Hospital--Item Nos. 55, 56, 57 and 58 have been approved. On No. 59, the Committee approved the appropriation of \$643,722 in FY 1988 and \$1,890,000 in FY 1989 to replace federal Medicaid and Medicare funding. This splits the shortfall between two years in lieu of the Governor's recommendation to fund the total in FY 1988.

Department of Corrections--The Committee agreed to pass over all the Corrections items for omnibus (Item Nos. 60 through 80) and consider them with the Corrections bill, which will be starting in the Senate.

Department on Aging--Item No. 81 was handled previously and Item No. 82 on the relocation of the Department was approved by the Committee.

Animal Health Department--Item No. 83 was approved previously.

Parsons State Hospital and Training Center--The Committee deleted Item No. 84 as the plan for patient movement would be from the hospitals into the community and not between hospitals. The Joint Committee on mental health agreed that this funding should not be provided.

Real Estate Commission--Item No. 85 was handled.

Wheat Commission--Item No. 86 was handled previously during omnibus consideration.

Board of Agriculture--Item Nos. 87, 88, and 89 have been handled previously.

Attorney General--Kansas Bureau of Investigation--Item No. 90 is technical and has been handled.

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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Department of Commerce--Item No. 91 was handled previously during omnibus consideration.

Credit Union Department--The Committee approved the addition of one position per Item No. 92.

Insurance Commissioner--Item Nos. 93 and 94 were previously approved.

Department of Health and Environment--The Committee approved for omnibus Item Nos. 95 through 105.

State Library--The Committee did not approve the funding reductions in Item No. 106, as the House subcommittee had already captured \$22,000 in savings from production of the Kansas Union Catalog.

Secretary of State--The Committee approved Item No. 107.

Department of Revenue--The Committee approved Item Nos. 108, 109, and 110 for inclusion in the omnibus bill. Item No. 111 was not approved and in No. 112, the Committee approved \$81,189 in postage increases for FY 1988 and no increases for FY 1989.

School for the Visually Handicapped--Item No. 113 was handled previously.

Youth Center at Atchinson--Item No. 114 was handled during the regular appropriations process.

Youth Center at Beloit--Item Nos. 115 and 116 were handled during the regular appropriations process.

Youth Center at Topeka--Item Nos. 117 and 118 were handled in the regular appropriations process.

Attorney General--The Committee approved Item No. 119.

Department of Education--Item Nos. 120, 121, 122, 123, and 124 were agreed upon in Conference Committee.

Department of SRS

Item No. 125 - Dealt with in Conference Committee.

Item No. 126 - The appropriation from the SGF for FY 1989 should be \$290,000 in lieu of \$424,902 according to updated information from the Agency. The Committee approved this funding.

Item Nos. 127, 128, 129, 130, and 131 - Handled previously in the appropriations process.

Item No. 132 - The Committee approved this item which concerns the increase in the personal needs allowance of Medicaid patients in nursing homes.

Item No. 133 - Regarding HCFA's deferral of a federal grant, the Committee approved \$900,000 for inclusion in the Winfield State Hospital budget during omnibus deliberations yesterday, and does not recommend this item's inclusion in the SRS portion of the bill.

Item No. 134 - Handled previously in the omnibus process.

Item No. 135 - Dealt with by the Conference Committee.

Item Nos. 136 and 137 - Approved by the Committee for inclusion in the omnibus bill.

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Item No. 138 - The Committee approved one-half the additional funding recommended by the Governor for physicians' liability insurance in FY 1988 and FY 1989. The Subcommittee suggests that this expense may be eligible for federal financial participation.

Item No. 139 - The Committee did not approve this item for inclusion in the omnibus bill. The subcommittee has not received requested information regarding what is being purchased.

Item No. 140 - Handled in the regular appropriations process.

Item No. 141 - In previous action regarding child abuse investigators, the Committee deleted two positions in SRS with a budget reduction in Conference Committee of \$56,056.

New Items - (1) The Committee approved \$49,740 SGF in OOE for the 30 new social workers in child abuse. (2) For the increase in the child support enforcement work force for half a year, the Committee approved \$92,636 from the Fee Fund.

Department of Wildlife and Parks--The Committee approved Item No. 142 for inclusion in the omnibus bill. On No. 143, the Committee approved \$15,000 for wildlife management of land at the Fort Riley Military Reservation and specified this amount be taken from fee funds rather than the State General Fund. The Committee approved No. 144. Representative Turnquist moved that the \$50,000 for improvements at the Cheyenne Bottoms be expended from the Nongame Wildlife Improvement Fund eliminating transfer to the Migratory Waterfowl Propagation and Protection Fund. Seconded by Representative Solbach. Motion carried.

Office of the Governor--Item No. 145 was approved.

Office of the Lieutenant Governor--Item No. 146 was approved.

Board of Tax Appeals--Item No. 147 was approved.

Following a brief recess, the Chairman took up consideration of the Kansas State Historical Society's request for construction of a Research Center--Governor's Budget Amendment Item No. 11. Staff advised that the \$5 million recommendation by the Governor would construct a building the same size as the existing building with no storage shelving and anticipating no growth. Representative Brady stated that the present building is structurally unsound and he recommends providing \$420,000 in planning money for the coming fiscal year.

Representative Teagarden moved to delete Item No. 11 in the Governor's Budget Amendment from omnibus consideration. Seconded by Representative Turnquist. Representative Mainey offered a substitute motion to adopt the Joint State Building Construction Committee's recommendation of \$7,948,000 SGF in FY 1988 to construct a Center for Historical Research in lieu of the Governor's recommendation. Seconded by Representative Wisdom. Representative Helgerson stated he feels this construction should be put in a separate bill and receive full hearings. On a vote on Representative Mainey's substitute motion, substitute motion carried.

Representative Mainey made a motion to move the appropriation for the Research Center from FY 1988 to FY 1989. Seconded by Representative Lowther. Representative Brady offered a substitute motion to adopt the multi-year funding plan of \$420,000-FY 1989, \$4,488,000-FY 1990, and \$3,040,000-FY 1991. Seconded by Representative Helgerson. Several members favor keeping the full spending for the Research Center in FY 1988 so that the one-time funds now available cannot be allocated

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elsewhere. On Representative Brady's substitute motion, motion failed.
On Representative Mainey's original motion, motion failed.

The Committee turned to consideration of Item No. 3 in the Governor's Budget Amendment--Property Tax Relief and School Finance Fund. Representative Mainey made a motion to delete Governor's Budget Amendment Item No. 3, which would create a fund of \$25 million to assist taxing districts following reappraisal. Seconded by Representative Teagarden. Representative King feels this fund constitutes returning income tax funds in the form of property tax relief and he questions this policy decision. Representative Chronister noted the school finance formula will have to be rewritten and reappraisal is going to compound that problem, so she favors a reserve revenue fund. On Representative Mainey's motion to delete Item No. 3, motion carried.

Chairman Bunten expressed his appreciation and that of the Committee members to Representative Harold Dyck for his service on House Appropriations. The members wish him well in his retirement from the Legislature.

The next meeting will be on call of the Chairman. The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

