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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Appropriations

The meeting was called to order by Bill Bunten at
Chairperson

1:30 ~~am~~ p.m. on January 31, 1989 in room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present.

Committee staff present: Ellen Piekalkiewicz, Legislative Research
Debra Duncan, Legislative Research
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Sharon Schwartz, Administrative Aide
Sue Krische, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Representative Kathleen Sebelius
Representative Susan Roenbaugh
Representative Harold Guldner
Dr. Walter R. Woods, Director of Cooperative Extension, KSU
John Haas, Larned, Kansas
David Grilliot, Extension Council Board, Hamilton County, Syracuse
Susan Stoppel, Haskell County Executive Extension Board
Bev Markes, Scott County Extension Board
Trudy Rice, Kansas Citizens for Extension Education, Lawrence Donnel
Adams, Jr., Kansas Citizens for Extension Education, Yates Center
Richard Jones, Executive Director, Kansas Association of Conservation Districts
Hal Scheuerman, Kearny County
Bill Fuller, Kansas Farm Bureau

Others attending: See attached list.

Representative Sebelius requested introduction of a bill providing statutory authority for Corrections ombudsman services at the three youth centers in the state system (Attachment 1). Presently, the youth centers do not have access to the ombudsman services. Representative Shriver suggested that the subcommittee handling the youth center budgets might review this proposal during their deliberations. Representative Shriver moved introduction of the bill. Representative Teagarden seconded. Motion carried.

HB 2040 - Appropriations for FY89 and FY90 capital improvements for various state agencies.

Representative Kline presented the subcommittee report on HB 2040 (Attachment 2). The subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations with the addition under Section 2 of \$168,820 State General Fund (SGF) for additional Dome repair. During discussion of the construction of a fence at the Youth Center of Topeka (YCAT), Representative Heinemann stated a Post Audit study on security at YCAT will be out in March, 1989. In Section 4--Department of SRS, Representative Kline advised that SRS has requested that two items not be lapsed: (1) energy management at the Kansas Vocational Rehabilitation Center - \$30,000; and (2) concrete repair work at the Blind Rehabilitation Center - \$23,463. Representative Chronister moved that the committee report be amended to include these two exceptions to the Governor's recommendation to lapse the unencumbered balance in the State Institutional Building Fund (SIBF). Representative Heinemann seconded. Motion carried.

During discussion of Section 6 - Fort Hays State University, Representative Kline indicated that the decision has been made not to seek damages from the architect for the \$2.1 million above the original estimate on Sheridan Coliseum.

Chairman Bunten announced the Committee would now turn to the hearing on HB 2002 and will complete the subcommittee report on HB 2040 following the hearing.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Appropriations,
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HB 2002 - Paying the salary of the second extension agent in each county.

Representative Susan Roenbaugh explained that HB 2002 is the product of the Interim Agriculture Committee, Proposal No. 3. Her written testimony is included (Attachment 3). This bill would permit any county with one extension agent to hire a second if they had the funds. Also, KSU would be required to contribute authorized federal and state funds in the same dollar amount toward the salary of the second agent as the first.

Representative Harold Guldner testified in support of HB 2002 and provided a copy of the fiscal note indicating the impact of this bill would be \$304,531 (Attachment 4). The bill applies only to the 34 counties which currently have only one extension agent.

Dr. Walter R. Woods, Director of Cooperative Extension, Kansas State University, appeared in support of HB 2002 and provided written testimony (Attachment 5). Dr. Woods advised that 33 counties have more than two agents and Representative Chronister requested a list of those counties and the number of agents in each. Representative Goossen asked if the Extension Service could have elected to put two agents per county in the staffing formula adopted in January, 1988. Dr. Woods stated that was an option. He also stated the Extension Service feels a minimum of two agents per county is the preferred staffing plan. The state pays \$5,304 matched 100 percent with federal funds for the first and second agents in a county.

John Haas, Larned, Kansas, appeared in support of HB 2002. He believes the continuing education provided through KSU Extension Service to individuals in rural areas throughout the state is critical. Cooperative Extension addresses four areas--family, community, youth and agriculture. Mr. Haas distributed a proposal for the 1989 Legislature by the Kansas Citizens for Extension Education, Inc. requesting additional Extension specialist positions and tax relief for counties (Attachment 6).

David Grilliot, Extension Council Board, Hamilton County, testified in support of HB 2002 and stressed the need for two agents per county for an effective extension program (Attachment 7). In response to a question about counties sharing agents, Mr. Grilliot stated it is difficult for two county boards to agree on a plan to share one agent.

Susan Stoppel, Haskell County Executive Extension Board, appeared in support of HB 2002 and provided written testimony (Attachment 8).

Bev Markes, Scott County Extension Board, testified in support of HB 2002. She expressed concern that 4-H programs suffer in single agent counties because it is not possible for one person to serve all program areas.

Trudy Rice, a member of Kansas Citizens for Extension Education (KCEE), Lawrence, testified in support of HB 2002. She reviewed other legislative priorities of KCEE as enumerated in her written testimony (Attachment 9).

Donnel Adams, Jr., Kansas Citizens for Extension Education, Yates Center, appeared in support of HB 2002 and provided written testimony (Attachment 10).

Richard Jones, Executive Director, Kansas Association of Conservation Districts, testified that two extension agents per county are needed to help farmers remain in compliance with federal laws, such as the 1985 Farm Bill and the Clean Water Act. Farmers not in compliance may be excluded from participating in USDA Farm Programs. Mr. Jones submitted written testimony (Attachment 11).

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Hal Scheuerman, Kearny County, testified on the sharing of agents by two counties. A new combination executive board must be formed and county commissioners must agree on the arrangement. He stated a part-time agent would be almost as expensive to their county as a full-time person.

Bill Fuller, Kansas Farm Bureau, appeared in support of HB 2002 (Attachment 12). Mr. Fuller expressed the strong support of the Kansas Farm Bureau for the Cooperative Extension Service.

Written Testimony in support of HB 2002 was submitted by Howard Tice, Executive Director, Kansas Association of Wheat Growers (Attachment 13), Bev Bradley, Legislative Coordinator, Kansas Association of Counties (Attachment 14), and Chris Wilson, Director of Governmental Relations, Kansas Fertilizer and Chemical Association (Attachment 15).

The Chairman concluded the hearing on HB 2002 and Representative Kline continued review of the subcommittee report on HB 2040--capital improvements for FY89 and FY90. The subcommittee recommended deletion in Section 8 of funding for the Regents Center pending further review of the project by the Joint Committee on State Building Construction. In Section 12 the subcommittee recommended deleting \$2,185,000 to accelerate the bond payment on Ellsworth pending further consideration. Representative Brady made a motion to amend the subcommittee report by deleting \$2,900,000 in Section 12 for planning a new correctional facility. Representative Teagarden seconded. Motion failed. Representative Solbach requested a copy of the program statement submitted to the Joint Committee on State Building Construction on the \$2,900,000 requested by the Department of Corrections for planning a new facility.

Regarding the appropriations for the Sheridan Coliseum, Representative Helgerson noted in the original recommendation on this project \$1.2 million was appropriated from the Educational Building Fund (EBF) and \$1.2 million was to be raised privately. In emphasizing the use of the EBF for major maintenance, the Governor has moved the appropriation for this project to the State General Fund. Representative Helgerson expressed concern at the reduction in the amount to be raised privately. Representative Helgerson moved to amend the subcommittee report by deleting Section 6--the Sheridan Coliseum renovation at Fort Hays State University. Representative Teagarden seconded. Motion carried.

Representative Kline moved that the subcommittee report be adopted, as amended, and that HB 2040 be amended as recommended in the committee report and that HB 2040, as amended, be recommended favorably for passage. Representative Hoy seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

GUEST LIST

COMMITTEE: HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

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NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	ADDRESS	COMPANY/ORGANIZATION
Mike Jensen	Manhattan	Ks Paul Producers
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Tom Becken	Topeka	Asst Gen's Dir
Chri Stathelb	"	SRS
Jane Lemmey	"	SRS
Steve Graft	Marionethal	Extension
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Paul Hunt	Leath, Kans	Extension
Ona Mae Marmou	Scott City, Kans	Extension
Beverly Markes	Scott City	Extension
Freda Rice	Lawrence	Citizenship
Don Adams Jr.	Yates Center	Extension
Lyle Goble	Manhattan, KS	KSU
Walter Bork	Manhattan, KS	KSU
Richard Jones	Salina, KS	KACD
Bob Bann	TOPEKA, KS	SRS
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Carolyn Haas	Larned	Banner - Extension

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HOUSE BILL NO. _____

By Representatives Sebelius and Shriver

AN ACT concerning the corrections ombudsman and the corrections ombudsman board; concerning jurisdiction with regard to state youth centers; amending K.S.A. 74-7401, 74-7405a and 74-7406 and K.S.A. 1988 Supp. 74-7403 and 74-7404 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 74-7401 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-7401. (a) There is hereby established and created as an independent agency within the executive branch of state government, the corrections ombudsman board. ~~Prior--to--September 1,--1980,--such--board--shall--consist--of--15--members,--three--of--whom shall--be--appointed--by--the--governor;--three--of--whom--shall--be appointed--by--the--attorney--general;--three--of--whom--shall--be appointed--by--the--chief--justice--of--the--supreme--court;--three--of whom---shall--be--appointed--by--the--speaker--of--the--house--of representatives;--and,--three--of--whom--shall--be--appointed--by--the president--of--the--senate.--On--and--after--September--1,--1980,~~ Such board shall consist of 10 members, two of whom shall be appointed by the governor; two of whom shall be appointed by the attorney general; two of whom shall be appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court; two of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and, two of whom shall be appointed by the president of the senate.

The members of said the board shall hold their respective offices for a ~~term~~ terms of four years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. On September 1, 1978, and on September 1 of each fourth year thereafter, the governor, attorney general, chief justice of the supreme court, speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate

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shall each appoint one member to such board. On September 1, 1980, and on September 1 of each fourth year thereafter, the governor, attorney general, chief justice of the supreme court, speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate shall each appoint one member to such board. ~~Members serving on such board on the effective date of this act shall serve as members of the corrections ombudsman board for the remainders of the respective terms for which appointed.~~ In case of a vacancy on such board, the person appointing the member creating the vacancy shall appoint a successor who shall serve for the remainder of the ~~term of the member creating such vacancy~~ unexpired term. The members of such board shall be selected as far as practicable so that they will be residents of different parts of the state.

(b) The board shall select a chairperson from among its members. The board shall meet upon the call of the chairperson, or upon the call of the majority of the members of such board. A majority of the members of such board shall constitute a quorum to do business.

(c) Members of the board attending meetings of such board, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof, or visiting any correctional institution for the purpose of acquiring information concerning policies, procedures and administrative actions of the department of corrections, when authorized by such board, shall be paid compensation ~~as provided in subsection (a) of K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto, and in addition thereto the amounts provided in subsection (e) of,~~ subsistence allowances, mileage and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223 and amendments thereto. ~~Payments made to board members for visiting correctional institutions prior to the effective date of this act are hereby authorized and validated.~~

(d) The board shall have the following ~~powers and duties~~ power and duty to:

(1) Appoint and supervise the activities of the ombudsman of corrections and establish the amount of compensation to be

paid to such ombudsman as provided by K.S.A. 74-7403 ~~or~~ any and amendments thereto.

(2) Adopt and file with the division of budget its budget estimates for the operation of the board and the office of ombudsman of corrections.

(3) Make recommendations to the secretary of corrections concerning policies, procedures and administrative actions of the department of corrections, which recommendations shall not be binding upon the secretary.

(4) Make recommendations to the secretary of social and rehabilitation services concerning policies, procedures and administrative actions of the department of social and rehabilitation services in relation to state youth centers.

(e) The secretary of corrections shall provide members of the board with access to records not otherwise privileged by law and with reasonable access to facilities and persons under the jurisdiction of the secretary subject to conditions and time limitations the secretary may establish in order to insure the orderly operation of the correctional institutions.

(f) The secretary of social and rehabilitation services shall provide members of the board with access to records, not otherwise privileged by law, relating to persons in custody in a youth center and shall provide members with reasonable access to youth centers and persons in custody in such centers subject to conditions and time limitations the secretary may establish in order to insure the orderly operation of such centers.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 1988 Supp. 74-7403 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-7403. (a) The board shall appoint an ombudsman of corrections who shall serve at the pleasure of the board. The ombudsman shall act as secretary of the board and shall perform such other duties and functions as may be required by the board. The compensation paid to the ombudsman shall be fixed by the board subject to approval by the governor. The secretary of administration shall provide the ombudsman with office space at Topeka. The ombudsman may appoint such employees as may be

necessary to carry out the duties of the office of ombudsman of corrections and as are within available appropriations. Clerical positions shall be in the classified service under the Kansas civil service act and all other employees shall be in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act. Any misfeasance--or-discrepancy-in-administration-or-any-unreasonable treatment--of--inmates--in--the--custody--of--the--secretary---of corrections--or--inmates-housed-by-any-entity-under-contract-with the-secretary-of-corrections-which-the-ombudsman-discovers-or-the inmates-bring-to-the-attention-of-the-ombudsman

(b) The following, if discovered by the ombudsman or brought to the ombudsman's attention by the inmates or persons in custody, shall be brought to the attention of the secretary of corrections or the secretary of social and rehabilitation services, as applicable, and shall be made known in periodic reports and in an annual report issued by the ombudsman to the board: (1) Any misfeasance or discrepancy in administration or any unreasonable treatment of inmates in the custody of the secretary of corrections or inmates housed by any entity under contract with the secretary of corrections; or (2) any misfeasance or discrepancy in administration or any unreasonable treatment of persons in custody in a state youth center. The ombudsman shall forward complaints and grievances directly to the secretary of corrections or secretary of social and rehabilitation services, as applicable, for consideration by the such secretary.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 1988 Supp. 74-7404 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-7404. (a) The ombudsman of corrections may enter and inspect at any reasonable time: (1) Any premises under the control of the secretary of corrections or under the control of any entity housing inmates under contract with the secretary of corrections; and (2) any state youth center. The ombudsman may delegate that authority in writing to any employee of the office acting as an ombudsman.

(b) If the ombudsman of corrections or any employee of the

office acting as an ombudsman who has been delegated in writing the authority granted under subsection (a) is denied access to any premises under the control of the secretary of corrections or a state youth center, the secretary ~~or the~~ of corrections or the secretary of social and rehabilitation services, as applicable, or such secretary's designee, within 24 hours after the denial, shall give the ombudsman a written statement of the reason for the denial of access.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 74-7405a is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-7405a. Records of the office of the ombudsman of corrections or of the corrections ombudsman board which relate to complaints by correctional inmates ~~or--employees~~, correctional employees, persons in custody in a state youth center or employees at a state youth center employees shall not be disclosed directly or indirectly to any person except as authorized by the ombudsman of corrections or by a majority vote of the corrections ombudsman board.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 74-7406 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-7406. No documents relating to complaints, investigations or studies in the possession of the ombudsman of corrections or any employee of the ombudsman shall be read, copied or taken by any officer or employee of the department of corrections or of the department of social and rehabilitation services except as authorized by the ombudsman or the employee of the ombudsman.

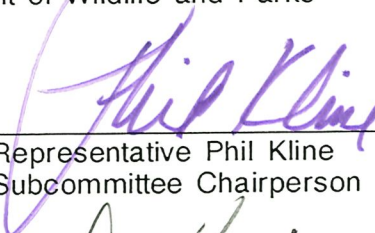
Sec. 6. K.S.A. 74-7401, 74-7405a and 74-7406 and K.S.A. 1988 Supp. 74-7403 and 74-7404 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT
ON
HOUSE BILL NO. 2040

FY 1989 and FY 1990
Capital Improvement Projects

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Representative Phil Kline
Subcommittee Chairperson



Representative David Heinemann



Representative Bill Brady

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SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT
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Section 2 -- Department of Administration

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends an FY 1989 supplemental appropriation from the State General Fund of \$2,126,160 to renovate elevators in the Landon and Docking State Office Buildings. The agency proposed that debt financing be used to finance the elevator renovation and requested \$273,576 for this project in FY 1990 from the State Building Depreciation Fund for the first years' payment.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation with the following adjustment:

1. Add \$168,820 in FY 1989 for additional Dome repair projects, as recommended by the Joint Committee on State Building Construction.

Section 3 -- Kansas Soldiers' Home

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends \$20,000 from the State Institutions Building Fund (SIBF) in FY 1989 to install air conditioning in the auditorium. The agency requested \$20,000 from the State Institutions Building Fund in FY 1990 for this project.

The Governor recommends \$37,000 from the SIBF in FY 1989 to supplement previously appropriated funds to replace the electrical board at the Soldiers' Home. The agency requested \$37,000 from the State Institutions Building Fund in FY 1990 for this project.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations.

Section 4 -- Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends \$515,200 from the State General Fund for FY 1989 to construct a fence around the perimeter of the Youth Center at Topeka. Planning has already begun on the project using Major Maintenance funds. The State General Fund recommendation of \$515,200 is intended to be used to reimburse the Major Maintenance

funds. The Governor, in addition, recommends that any unencumbered balance in SIBF accounts for already completed capital improvement projects be lapsed.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations, with the following adjustment:

1. Add appropriation language to authorize grants in FY 1989 for capital costs associated with child care centers providing that any such grants to Wichita State University shall not exceed \$245,000.

Section 5 -- State Historical Society

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends an increase of \$120,770 for FY 1989 from the State General Fund from the agency estimate of \$859,973 for capital improvements. The additional recommended funding includes \$25,000 for maintenance projects at the historic properties, \$44,437 for continued restoration of the Funston Home, and \$51,333 for the continued restoration of Constitution Hall.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations, with the following adjustments:

1. Add \$7,500 from the State General Fund in FY 1989 for drainage repairs at the Kansas Museum of History.
2. Delete \$95,700 from the State General Fund in FY 1989 for preservation and development of historic properties. The Subcommittee has been informed that the Society could not spend the money in the current year.

Section 6 -- Fort Hays State University

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends that the \$1,500,000 in FY 1989 and the \$2,162,000 in FY 1990, both which were previously appropriated from the Educational Building Fund be lapsed for the Sheridan Coliseum renovation project. The Governor further recommends that \$3,900,000 in FY 1989 and \$2,162,000 in FY 1990 be appropriated for the renovation project from the State General Fund. The Governor also recommends that the State General Fund resources in FY 1989 and FY 1990 should not be released unless \$387,000 in private funds are available in FY 1989 and \$863,000 in FY 1990. Bids received for Phase II of the project in February, 1988 were approximately \$2.1 million above the architect's estimate. Total cost of the project would be \$8,412,000 instead of the currently

authorized \$6,012,000 or an increase of \$2,400,000. The agency had requested \$2,400,000 in additional funds for the project, but financed with \$1,200,000 from the Educational Building Fund and \$1,200,000 from private gift funds. The 1988 Legislature had directed the agency to raise at least \$1,825,000 in additional gift funds to complete the project.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 7 -- University of Kansas

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends shifting \$1,890,000 in previously appropriated Educational Building Funds from FY 1990 to FY 1989 for the new Science Library construction project. Current law provides for Educational Building Fund appropriations of \$5,490,900 in FY 1989 and \$3,129,200 in FY 1990. The Governor's recommendation would not change the total cost of the project, but would provide \$7,380,900 in FY 1989 and \$1,239,200 in FY 1990. According to the agency, the contractor is ahead of schedule.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 8 -- University of Kansas

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends that \$2,000,000 from the State General Fund in FY 1989 be transferred to the University of Kansas for construction and debt service for a new Regents Center in Overland Park. The total construction cost of the project would be \$6,000,000. The Governor recommends \$1,000,000 for construction and \$1,000,000 for debt service for the project. The Center would contain approximately 53,000 gross square feet and service approximately 1,800 students. This section also lapses Educational Building Fund balances in two accounts which are no longer needed.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations, with the following adjustment:

1. Delete funding for the Regents Center in FY 1989, pending further review of the project by the Joint Committee on State Building Construction.

Section 9 -- Kansas State University

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends \$298,000 from the Educational Building Fund in FY 1990 for construction of plant science greenhouses (Phase IIA). The funds will permit the full state match of \$1,358,000 in federal funds which the Governor recommends for expenditure in FY 1989. The federal funds are recommended for the planning, construction, and equipping of Plant Sciences -- Phase IIB (preliminary planning on the building and construction of greenhouses). The agency had requested the \$298,000 for preliminary planning of the Plant Sciences -- Phase IIA building. The Phase IIA building has a total cost of \$12,350,000. Greenhouses for Phase IIA of the project have been previously appropriated by the Legislature. The section also lapses two existing Educational Building Fund accounts that are no longer needed.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations.

Section 10 -- Adjutant General

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends an FY 1989 supplemental State General Fund appropriation of \$25,000 for site preparation for a regional training center. Construction of the Center is to be financed by the federal government at an estimated cost of \$1,591,000.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 11 -- Kansas Highway Patrol

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends an FY 1989 supplemental expenditure of \$1,290,781 from the Motor Carrier Inspection Fund (financed by a transfer from the State Highway Fund) to complete the construction of motor carrier inspection weight enforcement facilities at Liberal (\$115,381) and Belleville (\$1,175,400). Although \$191,869 was approved during the 1988 Session for the Liberal facility, an additional \$115,381 is recommended due to unforeseen cost increases.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee deletes this section pending further project review by the Joint Committee on State Building Construction.

Section 12 -- Department of Corrections

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends FY 1989 supplemental appropriations from the State General Fund of \$2,185,000 to accelerate the bond payment on the Ellsworth Correctional Facility; of \$500,000 for major repairs, special maintenance, and remodeling at correctional institutions; and of \$2,900,000 for planning for a new correctional facility. Also, the Governor recommends an FY 1989 authorization and appropriation from the Correctional Industries Fund of \$235,000 to rebuild the paint factory at the Kansas State Penitentiary.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations, with the following adjustment:

1. Delete the funding recommended for payment for the Ellsworth Correctional Work Facility debt service, pending a comparison of possible cost savings on early payments for Ellsworth and utilizing the funds for construction of a new prison.

Section 13 -- State Industrial Reformatory

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of \$40,000 from the Correctional Industries Building Fund appropriation of \$238,000 for electrical improvements to the food service, kitchen, education, and paint shop areas at the Reformatory.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 14 -- Emergency Medical Services Board

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends \$102,000 in FY 1989 from the State General Fund for the expansion of the emergency medical services communications system into the Wolf Creek area. The project would establish a uniform radio communications system for a nine-county area. The agency requested funding for the project in FY 1990.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 15 -- Youth Center at Topeka

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balance on a completed capital improvement project financed from the SIBF.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 16 -- Youth Center at Beloit

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balance on a completed capital improvement project financed from the SIBF.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 17 -- Youth Center at Atchison

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of \$310 from an SIBF financed capital improvement project.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 18 -- Winfield State Hospital

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balances on two SIBF financed capital improvement projects.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations, with the following adjustment:

1. Delete the lapse of the Holly Kitchen washing machine, based on updated information from the agency.

Section 19 -- Norton State Hospital

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balance on a SIBF financed capital improvement project.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation, with the following adjustment:

1. Lapse the unencumbered balance in FY 1989 in the rotary oven account.

Section 20 -- Parsons State Hospital

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balance on a SIBF financed capital improvement project.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 21 -- Kansas Neurological Institute

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balance on a SIBF financed capital improvement project.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 22 -- Osawatomie State Hospital

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balances on two SIBF financed capital improvement projects.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations.

Section 23 -- Rainbow Mental Health Facility

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends the lapse in FY 1989 of the unencumbered balances on several SIBF financed capital improvement projects.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendations.

Section 24 -- Larned State Hospital

Governor's Recommendation

For FY 1989, the Governor recommends \$500,000 from the State General Fund and \$1,000,000 from the State Institutions Building Fund to construct and equip the new treatment facility to replace Pinel and Rush buildings. Construction on the facility is proceeding more rapidly than was originally planned because of unseasonably warm weather. The recommendation would make available in FY 1989 \$1,500,000 that was appropriated for FY 1990 and would lapse \$1,500,000 from \$1,923,500 appropriated for FY 1990.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

Section 25 -- Department of Wildlife and Parks

Governor's Recommendation

The Governor recommends a supplemental State General Fund appropriation of \$200,000 in FY 1989 for the construction of displays at the Milford Education Center. The Governor also recommends that lapse of the unencumbered balance of several special revenue financed projects in FY 1989.

House Subcommittee Recommendation

The House Subcommittee concurs with the Governor's recommendation.

January 31, 1989

Representative Susan Roenbaugh

HB 2002 is a product of the summer Agriculture Interim Committee regarding Proposal #3.

Our charge was to review the current training program for agriculture extension personnel and the role such personnel should have and to determine the impact that fewer extension personnel would have.

Because of funding shortages in the Extension Program brought on by:

- (1) reduced funding at the Federal level;
- (2) increased costs for benefit programs;
- (3) increased costs in providing salary raises; and
- (4) decreased resources,

over 86% of the Extension Program budget is committed to salary and benefits.

Since the early 70's, the number of county extension agents had remained at about 279---at least two for every county. In January, 1988, the Director of Extension announced a new staffing plan to reduce agents from 279 to 246, using a formula that included the number of farms, households, and youth in each county. As a result, 34 counties have only one agent position.

The county's with only one agent are attempting to continue their full program of activities which places additional responsibilities on the remaining agent.

There was a lot of testimony from various counties complaining because they had been permitted only one agent for their county. They said that one person could not be the "be all and end all" for their

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community---that they needed an Ag Agent and a Home Ec Agent!

However, because of the current budget the extension service can't allow it and had to use a formula to determine who would get what.

Several counties indicated that they had (or could get) money to fund an additional agent. According to the law governing Extension, this is not permissible.

So, the Committee recommended enabling legislation which . would permit any county with one extension agent to hire a second one if they had the funds.
. KSU would also be required to contribute from Federal and State funds authorized for cooperative extension the same dollar amount toward the salary of the second agent as towards the first agent.

The county appropriation is set by a mill levy, which is limited by K.S.A. 79-1947.

Currently, the state pays \$10,608 per agent for counties with up to two agents. With three or more agents, the state pays \$6,636 per agent.

The average salary of a County Extension Agents, including benefits, is \$33,725.

Of this amount, 16% comes from Fed. - \$ 5,304

16% comes from St. - 5,304

68% comes from Co. - 19,828

(This is for a one-agent or two-agent county. The support is less if they have more than two agents.)

Allen is sending a copy of the fiscal note which accompanied HB 2002.

TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON
HOUSE BILL 2002
BY REPRESENTATIVE HAROLD GULDNER

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee I am here to help present a proposal that the Interior Agriculture Committee has recommended. Under the new agent staffing formula that came out of Manhattan, some counties were denied the opportunity to have two agents even though some of them were willing to continue the county share of funding. This bill simply states that if a county is willing to put up their share of funding for a second agent the bill will put up the usual federal and state portion of the salary matching fund.

This bill would apply to about 23 counties that are down to one agent under the new staffing plan and it has a very modest fiscal note of \$304,531.

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The Honorable Bill Bunten, Chairperson
House Appropriations Committee
Third Floor, Statehouse

Dear Representative Bunten:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for House Bill No. 2002 by Committee on
Agriculture and Livestock


In accordance with K.S.A. 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning House Bill No. 2002 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

House Bill No. 2002 is an act which concerns the Cooperative Extension Service; relates to the salary of the county extension agents, amends KSA 2-608 and repeals existing sections.

The act would amend existing statutes to require that Kansas State University match county dollars with federal or state dollars toward the salary of a second county extension agent if that county requests the hiring of a second agent and has the funds to do so. This act would apply only to those counties which currently have only one extension agent.

The bill as introduced would apply to 23 Kansas counties which are currently staffed with one extension agent. If each of those counties requested a second agent Kansas State University would be required to provide additional funding of \$304,531 to match the counties' contributions. The additional funding would include \$262,527 for salaries and \$42,004 for fringe benefits. All funding would be from the State General Fund as no additional federal funds are anticipated.

Any expenditures for this bill would be in addition to the Governor's 1989 budget recommendations.


Michael F. O'Keefe
Director of the Budget

MFO:GT:dlf

cc: President Jon Wefald

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**Appropriations Committee
Salaries of Second Extension Agent in Each County**

Testimony Prepared by
Walter R. Woods
Director of Cooperative Extension
January 31, 1989

Agricultural and rural communities must often adapt to rapid changes in national and international markets, to climatic and biological hazards, and to new rules and regulations. Technology transfer programs which make the expertise of the University available to help Kansans help themselves is a proven way of helping farmers, families and communities remain competitive.

Effective Extension programs require an adequate and balanced number of (1) county extension agents for rapid information delivery at the county level and (2) technical specialists to insure that each educational program maintains a research and factual base.

A county extension office with a minimum of two agents per county is clearly the preferred organizational structure at the county level. This structure is recommended since the county is both a governmental and a societal unit; and, direction of the county extension program is, by law, delegated to an elected county extension council. It is my recommendation that legislation which restores a minimum of two agents per county be enacted.

Such legislation should be accompanied by legislation which provides for the salaries and benefits of the 23 agents the legislation would authorize. Otherwise, having just lost 33 agents and 33.3 specialists, Cooperative Extension would be faced with additional personnel and budgetary problems.

You should also be aware of additional problems which have been brought to my attention.

- (1) Numerous counties are experiencing difficulty in funding county extension programs. In 1987, 22 counties were impacted by the mill levy limit. In 1988, 29 counties were impacted by the mill levy limit.
- (2) To maintain the factual and educational integrity of extension programs, the agent to specialist ratio is becoming dangerously high. The ratio of agents to specialists rose from 1.5 agents per specialist to 1.83 agents per specialist in 1988.
- (3) The Regents Educational Center, now under construction, will not be able to effectively serve the extension educational needs of counties and communities without the installation of county satellite receivers and learning centers.

A group of concerned citizens has recommended that Cooperative Extension and the State of Kansas address these problems by (1) providing county tax relief (2) funding a significant number of additional extension specialist positions and (3) providing for the installation of county satellite receivers and extension learning centers. The restoration of two agents per county is their highest priority.

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The technological and educational expertise which county extension agents and extension specialists provide for Kansas citizens is certainly a sound investment in economic development. That investment would be significantly enhanced by providing two agents in each county and by addressing the problems of tax relief for counties, additional extension specialists and county satellite receivers.

One other item: House Bill 2040 addresses capital improvement funds for the Plant Science Building. On line 256, \$1,358,000 dollars of federal funds is appropriated to plan, construct, and equip the plant science building. Those funds must be matched dollar for dollar. The federal appropriation views the plant science building as one project which includes greenhouses plus laboratories and offices.

Since the \$298,000 appropriated on line 244 is required to match the federal funds, that amount should be appropriated to help start the "planning" of the plant science building rather than for "constructing" greenhouses. Otherwise, Kansas will not have provided a proper match. This change would facilitate our matching the federal funds now available and using a mix of state and federal funds to move the planning process forward.

Governor Hayden wrote Senator Nancy Kassebaum and Congressman Pat Roberts April 7, 1988, indicating his support for the Regents plan which started the Plant Science Project in 1989.

Thank you.

KCEE PROPOSAL
January 1989

The Kansas Citizens for Extension Education, Inc. (KCEE), a group of private citizens concerned about maintaining and strengthening the Cooperative Extension Service, which serves the youth and adults in every county in Kansas, respectfully requests the Seventy-third Legislature at the 1989 Regular Session to enact legislation, with accompanying fiscal note.

KCEE ranking of the items in the legislative proposal:

1st:	Restore a minimum of 2 agents in each county, at the current level of state contribution (23 agents)	\$ 304,531	(new money, recurring)
2nd:	County tax relief by increasing the share of agents' salaries		
	a. 210 agents (first two agents per county) to \$20/000 position	\$1,834,656	(tax relief)
	b. 61 agents (agents in county after the first two) to \$20,000/position	<u>784,460</u>	(tax relief)
	Total salaries (271 agents)	\$2,619,116	(tax relief)
3rd:	Restore 19 Extension specialist positions	\$1,045,000	(new money, recurring)
4th:	Establish a statewide Extension Satellite Receiver network	\$ 735,000	(new money, non-recurring)

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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL 2002
By David Grilliot, Chairman
Hamilton County Extension Council
January 31, 1989

The funding to restore a minimum of two agents per county is essential for the continuation of the quality of co-operative extension programs that the State of Kansas has been known for since its conception 75 years ago.

The need for a minimum of two agents is necessary to meet the needs of improving the quality of life and quantity of life in Kansas.

Why do we fund a University in developing Programs of Excellence and yet we fail to provide the funding to disseminate this information to the people of the counties?

Extension provides an unbiased resource of information and yet one agent counties cannot disseminate 2/3 of this information.

A one agent county is running a skeleton program at best and truly does not do any one of the 4 program areas justice. They can call on volunteers to help and yet without proper support and training, the effectiveness of extension is truly lost. There is not enough time or training in one agent to effectively operate the programs which you the legislature required of extension in the 4 program areas of Agriculture, Home Economics, 4-H, and Economic Development.

It is essential that the county retain control over the local operation of the county offices and programs. The county needs to have two agents if they so deem necessary and have the funding to support these agents.

We encourage you to support HB 2002, ReProposal No. 3 to
maintain the excellence of the Cooperative Extension Service in Kansas.

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January 30, 1989

TO: Appropriations Committee

Extension was organized by Kansas State to bring education from the university out to the counties. With the cut back of one agent in some counties, it makes it impossible for all of the people to be served by the university in the way the Extension program was intended.

Since February, 1986, Haskell County has had only one agent, a Home Economist. Such a change constituted the total program and office management responsibility be transferred to one person. The Extension Board has made an effort to help with the work load by hiring part-time help and para-professionals. However, this has not provided the professional expertise needed to continue all facets of the Extension education program.

Haskell County has been 4th in the nation for crop production and rates very highly in our own state in livestock and feed grain production, as well.

Our Home Economist has served the Sublette and Satanta Grade Schools with "Dizzy the Clown" nutrition, babysitting clinics for teenagers, and "lunch-n-learn" for adults. Also, she has provided leadership in the 4-H multi-county clothing trip to Hutchinson and 4-H Teen Ambassador program. This is just a few selections of the overall Extension programs in Haskell County.

ONE AGENT CANNOT CARRY OUT ALL OF THE NECESSARY PROGRAMS!!!!

We, the Haskell County Extension Executive Board, feel it necessary that every county have two agents to provide the leadership for the many programs in which Extension is involved.

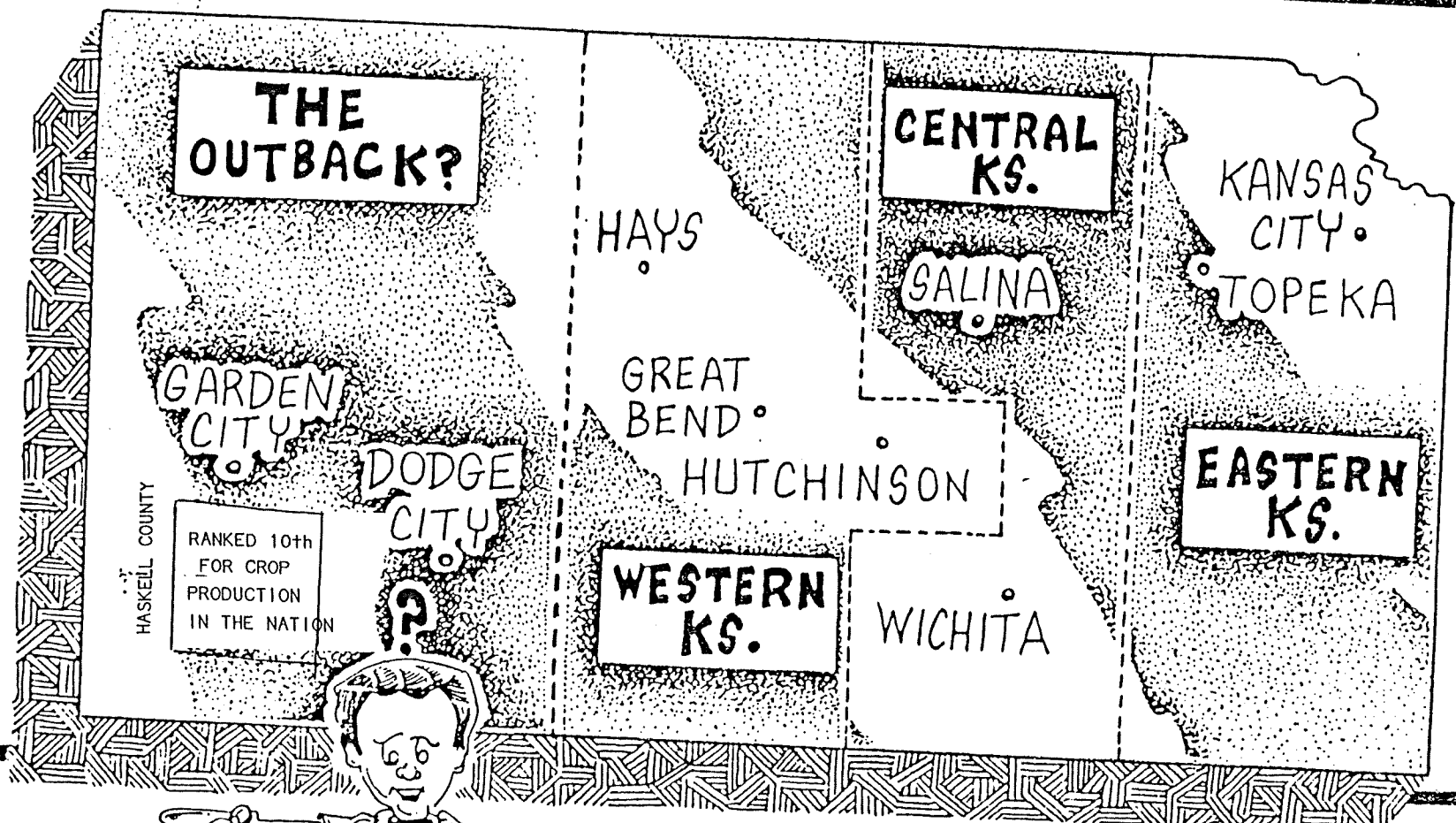
Enclosed please find fact sheets which will further support our position contending the need for two agents for every county.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Stoppel

Susan Stoppel, Chairman
Haskell County Executive Extension Board

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ATLANTIC OCEAN?



THE CURRENT STATE OF GEOGRAPHY IN KANSAS (CIRCA 1987)

GARDEN CITY TELEGRAM '87 ©

ALVIN SCHULTZ

HASKELL COUNTY EXTENSION FACTS

Haskell County is located in the southwest corner of Kansas. It is in the middle of prime agricultural farm ground. From your statistics at the Southwest Area Board Chairperson conference, Haskell County had 1,009 youth. We contacted the Sublette and Satanta schools and the number of youth under 17 years of age in Haskell County is: 1,400. Of this 1,400 about 60 to 70% are currently participating in 4-H projects of one kind or another. We also reach many Copeland (Gray Co.) youth. On this sheet you also listed the number of farms in Haskell County as: 299. We went to the ASCS office and the Director told us we have 750 farms with 340 farmers!

Haskell county has 345,000 acres of cropland; 1,000 plus irrigation wells; 262,000 acres of irrigated cropland which make 76% of all the cropland irrigated in the county. Of the 105 counties in Kansas the Kansas Agricultural Statistics rates us as 4th in the state for several things which shows us as very progressive people who could have possibly been number 1 in the state if the the 1986 farm program had not been in effect.

Kansas Agricultural Statistics rates us as:

#4 In value of crops harvested in 1986 (\$42,459,500)
#4 In value of livestock produced in 1986 (\$58,708,400)
#2 Cattle on feed - Jan. 1, 1987 (Haskell County has 7 corporate cattle feedlots; 4 hog farms; 2 sheep farms; several on farm feedlots for cattle, sheep and hogs. Feed grown locally is usually sold directly to the feedlots.)

WHEAT

#1 For acres harvested yield-bushel per acre (49.2)
#1 For irrigated acres harvested (66,000)
#1 For irrigated acres harvested yield-bushel per acre (61.7)
#1 For irrigated acres harvested produced - bushel (4,070,700)

CORN

#1 For acres planted (75,000)
#1 For acres harvested for grain (67,500)
#1 For acres harvested for grain produced - bushel (11,191,500)
#1 For acres harvested for grain farm value (18,212,100)
#1 For irrigated acres harvested (64,800)
#1 For irrigated acres harvested produced - bushel (11,016,000)

SILAGE

#1 Acres harvested for silage (7,400)
#1 Acres harvested for silage produced per ton
#1 Acres harvested for silage farm value (\$2,745,900)

SORGHUMS

#4 For acres harvested for grain yield-bushel per acre (101.3)
#2 For irrigated acres harvested yield-bushel per acre (121.5)

ALFALFA HAY

#4 For acres harvested yield-tons per acre (5 ton)

ALL HAY

#5 Acres harvested yield-tons per acre (4.5 ton)

Home Economics Programing

Changes and challenges are always prevalent within families, groups and organizations. Our job in Extension is to help these individuals and groups function more effectively. Program planning and implementation has been in the two main areas of A) Developing Human Resources and B) Health and Well-Being. Major programs impacting in these areas this year included:

A - Developing Human Resources

EHU Officer Training
International Awareness
Understanding our Community Economic System
Developing Your Color and Wardrobe Planning and Skills
Managing Decisions for the Elderly
The Great Soap Opera - a laundry dilemma
Why We Don't Agree - managing conflict
Cultural Heritage and History Through Kansas Quilts and Quilters
Developing Home Decorating Skills
Better Photography
Managing Your Household to Reduce Clutter
Haskell County 101st Celebration

B - Health and Well-Being

Living Wills
Fiber-riffic Health
Wok Low-fat Cookery
Heartache in the Heartland
The Healing Power of Music
Multi-Media Red Cross Training
Self-Esteem in Children
Chemicals in Food
Water Quality
Health Fair '88
Wheat Foods and Bread Baking
Child Care and Child Birth

The programs were presented to a wide variety of groups; the 60 EHU members, Rotary Club, Social and Fraternal groups, High School Home Ec classes, Satanta elderly group and the "general public" audiences at public events. Over 700 (not duplicated) contacts were made throughout the year by these programs.

The mass media is always a fast way to disseminate information as well, and through newsletter, radio and newspaper many individuals who do not otherwise participate in Extension programs receive useful information. Nine Home Economics newsletters were mailed out to 320 households through the year. 51 news columns and feature articles were printed locally, 15 radio programs were aired. 45 women received the Pierre the Pelican pre-natal and post-natal newsletters. Information included in these mediums was quite varied to try to hit current events and issues relevant to our county and to bring out new ideas for change. Topics were from Investments and Consumer issues to Care for Electric Blankets, diet to reduce migraine headaches and hot-lines for calling pattern companies about concerns with home sewing.

Such a variety allows the public to see the span of information available through the Extension service.

4-H & Youth Programming

Haskell County has a strong 4-H & Youth program with many capable and developing adult and teen 4-H leaders comprising the backbone of the organization. The county has 5 clubs and one project club with a total enrollment of 127. With the changes in staffing, leadership in many areas has shifted from the Extension staff to these leader/parent/teen persons. The main program of work for '88 has been in the area of leadership development.

Events and activities for 4-H members were planned and implemented with cooperative effort of our office, 4-H Council and committees. These included:

4-H Officer/Leader Training	Tri State Rabbit Show
4-H Fall Preview	4-H Teen Ambassador Program
Photography display of 4-H work	IFYE Presentations to Clubs
Achievement Trip Planning	Machine Knitting and Serger Sewing
4-H Clothing & Creativity Mtg.	Beef Weigh Day
4-H Club Day	Region Club Day
4-H Carnival	County-wide Horse Meetings
Horse Clinic & Horse Show	Spring Beef & Lamb Show
County-wide Vet Science Mtgs.	4-H Discovery Days at KSU
4-H Livestock Judging Contests	Photography Project Field Trips
4-H Clothing Modeling Workshop	4-H Style Revue & Fashion Show
Club Tours	County & State Fair Events
Achievement Night	Record Book Judging
4-H Clothing Multi-County Trip to Hutchinson	
4-H Camp at Rock Springs near Junction City	
4-H Exchange Trip to South Dakota	

The "youth" program also reaches into the schools and communities, working with non-4-H member groups. This year we taught sessions in the areas of:

- Bread Baking (Special Ed)
- Wok Cookery (Girl Scouts)
- An International Focus (Sublette 7th & 8th and Copeland entire school)
- Dizzy the Clown Nutrition (1st grades in Sublette and Satanta)
- Personal Color Analysis for Teens (Satanta Home Ec)
- Health Through Good Food (Satanta 4th Grade)
- Home Alone? Snacks You Can Make (K-3rd grade)
- Babysitting Clinic (10-14 years old)
- Teen Laundry Problems (Satanta Home Ec)

We also prepared eight 4-H newsletter mailings and provided information to local and area newspapers about the 4-H and youth program.

January 31, 1989

Testimony to the House Appropriations Committee on H.B. 2002
By: Trudy Rice

Hello, my name is Trudy Rice from Lawrence and I am a user of the Extension Service in Douglas County and a supporter of Extension throughout the state as a member of Kansas Citizens for Extension Education - a lay group of volunteer leaders.

First, I would like to thank you for this opportunity to testify today on H.B. 2002.

Extension has been a part of my life for the past 30 years. During this time I have been involved in all four program areas -- Agriculture, Home Economics, 4-H and Youth, and Community Development and I would say that these experiences have been of great benefit to me.

I strongly support the concept behind H.B. 2002 in providing a minimum of two agents per county. This is also the top priority of the KCEE proposal so we feel it is in direct support of our proposal.

However, it is important that there also be a fiscal note accompanying this legislation. The decision for cutting these positions was based on budget constraints and without additional funding for this it would be impossible to implement.

As I said, restoring a minimum of two agents per county is the first priority of the KCEE proposal. However, it is not the only priority. Secondly, we would like to provide county tax relief by asking the state to contribute \$20,000 per agent position in the form of salaries. Thirdly, we would like to restore 19 specialist positions to provide a solid educational base for the dissemination of information to the local agents. Last, we would like to place a satellite receiver site in each county. Recognizing that all four priorities are important we did rank them and as I said earlier, the first priority is in direct support of this bill providing there is an accompanying fiscal note to implement it.

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In closing I would like to share with you an important part of my Extension experience. The past ten years I have been fortunate enough to have a successful home based upholstery business. The Extension service is responsible for teaching me the skills - both labor and management - to provide this service and allow me to be home with our children and remain an active part of our farming operation.

Thanks again for the opportunity to testify today in support of H.B. 2002.

The contents of House Bill #2002 represents an excellent step in the right direction to turn around the devastating measures that have affected Extension in such a negative manner in the past few years. The members of the Kansas Citizens for Extension Education very strongly support the minimum of two agents per county in Kansas.

However, this is, as we see it, only the first step in rebuilding the Kansas Extension educational system back to a strong, viable and valuable development tool that Kansas citizens can rely on whether their county be large or small, rich or poor.

This portion would cost \$304,531.00.

The next step necessary would be additional funds from state contributions towards agents salaries. This is necessary in order to help with county tax relief. Many counties are currently against their mill levy lid, others are rapidly nearing that point. These funds are a necessity to allow such counties to function effectively.

These funds for county tax relief would amount to \$2,629,116.00.

The next step necessary would be to replace 19 of the lost specialist positions to the state staff. These people are a vital link in the education chain from Kansas State University to the citizens of Kansas. They are the researchers, program developers, etc.

Funds required for this portion would amount to \$1,045,000.00.

Finally a step that would help meet the expanding need for Extension would be the establishment of a satellite receiver unit in each county in Kansas. This system would vastly increase program availability, quality and timeliness. It would work hand in hand with the Satellite Educational Center currently being developed at Kansas State University.

Funds for this would be in the amount of \$735,000.00.

These measures have been carefully developed by the Kansas Citizens for Extension Education after an extensive encompassing of the entire state. K.C.E.E. members have used the responses, the feelings and the input from people in nearly every county in Kansas to help shape what we feel are the most common needs of Extension clientele.

We believe with this kind of investment by the tax payers of Kansas in Extension, and subsequently in the thousands who use the Extension Service, greater benefits will be reaped through value added Kansans.

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HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

JANUARY 31, 1989

Testimony on House Bill No. 2002 - AN ACT concerning extension; relating to the salary of the county extension agents; amending K.S.A. 2-608 and repealing the existing section.

I am Richard Jones, Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts (KACD).

The Association represents the 105 county conservation districts in Kansas. Conservation Districts provide assistance to landowners and operators for the protection and improvement of their soil, water, plant, and animal resources. Conservation Districts are governed by a five member board of supervisors made up of local landowners who serve without compensation.

On November 22, 1988, at our 44th annual convention the Conservation Districts of Kansas adopted a resolution supporting the restoring of two county agents in each county. The resolution also called for restoring 19 Extension Specialists positions needed to support county and state wide Extension programs, and to establish a statewide Extension Satellite Receiver Network with a learning center in each county. A copy of that resolution is attached.

If we are to maintain a strong agricultural economy, the farmers and ranchers of our state must be timely informed of the newest technology that would effect their operations. We cannot keep them informed if we do not have the people in the field, and the support staff to assist them, in keeping up with new technology and with changes in farm programs.

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Kansas has the highest percent and the second highest number of highly erodible cropland acres in the United States. Under the 1985 Farm Bill, farmers with highly erodible cropland must have a conservation plan on those highly erodible acres by January 1, 1990, and must have the conservation practices applied by January 1, 1995. Non-point pollution, under the current Clean Water Act is becoming an important issue across the country. Kansas farmers must be kept informed on these programs or they could possible be excluded from participating in USDA Farm Programs. We must keep qualified county staff people available to meet the educational and informational needs of our agricultural community or we will find many of our farmers in non-compliance with USDA and other programs and that will economically effect both them and the rural community.

The Kansas Association of Conservation Districts supports House Bill No. 2002 and urge its passage by your committee and by the Kansas Legislature.

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS
44TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
RESEARCH COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION NO. 2

EXTENSION FUNDING PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, the KACD supports the Kansas Cooperative Extension Service, the response from both rural and urban citizens across Kansas indicates the need for Extension Educational programs as great or greater now than ever before, and

WHEREAS, we are concerned about maintaining and strengthening the Cooperative Extension Service which serves youth and adults in every county in Kansas;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that KACD supports the proposal to restore a minimum of two extension agents in each county, provide needed county tax relief by transferring agent salaries from county tax base to state tax base, restore 19 Extension Specialists positions needed to support county and state wide Extension programs, and establish a statewide Extension Satellite Receiver Network with a learning center in each county.



PUBLIC POLICY STATEMENT

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

RE: H.B. 2002, Proposal No. 3 -- County Extension Personnel

January 31, 1989
Topeka, Kansas

Presented by:
Bill R. Fuller, Assistant Director
Public Affairs Division
Kansas Farm Bureau

Chairman Buntten and Members of the Committee:

My name is Bill Fuller. I am the Assistant Director of the Public Affairs Division for Kansas Farm Bureau. We appreciate this opportunity to make this brief statement in **strong support of H.B 2002.**

Farm Bureau has been a supporter of the Cooperative Extension Service since it was created. Our members have seen the program evolve over the years. The program began by serving rural families in the areas of agriculture and home economics. Extension now has programs for all Kansans and has become a part of the "computer age." Its strong component in economic development is having a positive impact, both rural and urban. Much of this success must be contributed to the partnership created by local, state and federal input. County Extension Councils provide strong local leadership in designing programs, selecting personnel and providing funding. We believe H.B. 2002 preserves this desirable partnership by expressing the will to continue providing the bulk of the funding.

The subject of H.B. 2002 has been a major issue with our membership in recent years. As a result, the Voting Delegates

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representing the 105 County Farm Bureaus at the 70th Annual Meeting of Kansas Farm Bureau here in Topeka adopted the following policy on December 6, 1988:

"Agriculture is the major industry in Kansas. We support efforts of the Cooperative Extension Service to provide programs on technical agriculture, community development, the family and youth, that benefit our citizens. We support the adequate funding of programs that provide technical specialists and agents to deliver information. We believe the Cooperative Extension Service should have a staffing program to provide that every county shall have at least two agents, in position specialities to be determined by the County Extension Council. The State of Kansas should increase appropriations for the support of the Extension Service to replace federal funds discontinued by budget cuts. Counties should continue to hire and provide their own funding for agent staff, and have the legislative authority to raise these funds."

While staffing reductions were necessary during recent budget restrictions, the majority of our members are concerned about deterioration of programs in many counties that have been limited to only one extension agent. For that reason, Farm Bureau recognizes the fact that mill levy limits may need to be increased to allow counties to raise adequate funds for two agents.

Thank you for allowing us to express Farm Bureau support for H.B. 2002. We will attempt to reply to any questions you may have.



Kansas Association Of Wheat Growers

"ONE STRONG VOICE FOR WHEAT"

TESTIMONY - HB 2002

House Committee on Appropriations
Chairman: Representative Bill Buntin

Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, I am Howard W. Tice, Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers. I appreciate this opportunity to appear today in support of HB 2002.

The Kansas Association of Wheat Growers has long been a strong supporter of the Cooperative Extension Service at Kansas State University. K-State has gained worldwide recognition for leadership in agricultural research. The Extension Service is the tool for dispersing the results of that research to producers, so they can not only continue to produce the world's cheapest food supply, but also the world's highest quality food and fibre as well, at the lowest possible production cost.

Agriculture is truly the foundation of our nation's economy, and our state's as well. Information gleaned from land grant university research is the lifeblood of agriculture, and the Cooperative Extension Service is the delivery system for that information.

Our membership passed the following resolution concerning the Extension Service:

BE IT RESOLVED that the KAWG SUPPORTS the recommendation of the Kansas Citizens for Extension Education as follows;

- A. The state should authorize and fund two (2) agents per county. (This would restore 23 positions.)*
- B. The state should increase its share of the salaries of county agents, with local extension councils retaining program control.*
- C. The state should fund 19 specialist positions which are currently unfilled.*
- D. The state should set up a satellite system with an educational center in each county.*

Passage of HB 2002 is step one toward restoring the Cooperative Extension System to its full effectiveness.

There are three things we must have to survive - water, air and food. Since all the people in the state benefit from a low cost, high quality food supply, state support to replace lost federal funding is very appropriate. We urge passage of HB 2002.

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"Service to County Government"

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To: Representative Bill Buntten, Chairman
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From: Bev Bradley, Legislative Coordinator
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Re: HB-2002 relating to the salary of
County Extension Agents

The topic of extension is one that has been widely discussed the past few years in the Kansas legislature. Although the boards of County Commissioners are not directly responsible for the extension program in each county, more money comes from counties than other sources of funding - state or federal - to support the county extension programs.

The boards of county commissioners in each county work with the county extension councils and the extension staff to prepare the county portion of the extension budget and the extension portion of the county budget. In many counties the education and activities that flow through the extension program are the hub of community involvement for that area. In many of those same counties it has been difficult to maintain the quality of service necessary to satisfy all the constituents with only one extension agent.

Counties are in the midst of a two year "dollar freeze" on the amount of money they can levy from property taxes until reappraisal is completed and implemented. If, however counties with one extension agent do have the funds and feel it is important to their constituents to add another extension agent we believe Kansas State University should contribute from federal and state funds granted for cooperative extension work, the same dollar amount towards the salary of the second county extension agent employed as the university contributed toward the salary of the first extension agent employed. This would be a county option proposal triggered by the needs and availability of funds in the particular county.

The Kansas Association of Counties does not have an official statement in the 1989 Legislative platform concerning extension, but as some county commissioners testified before the interim committee the association is in support of HB 2002.

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KANSAS FERTILIZER AND CHEMICAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

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STATEMENT OF THE
KANSAS FERTILIZER AND CHEMICAL ASSOCIATION
to the
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAM BUNTEN, CHAIRMAN
REGARDING H.B. 2002
JANUARY 31, 1989

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee, I am Chris Wilson, Director of Governmental Relations of the Kansas Fertilizer and Chemical Association (KFCA). KFCA is the voluntary trade and professional organization of the Kansas agrichemical industry, with approximately 500 members. We appreciate the opportunity to support H.B. 2002 regarding the Cooperative Extension Service.

It is not exaggerating to say that agriculture's tremendous capacity to quickly adapt new technologies from the research station to the field is largely due to the Extension system. Due to those technologies and their adaption, agriculture is our state and nation's largest industry, providing one out of every five jobs in the country. American agriculture not only feeds our own country with a wholesome, affordable, abundant food supply, it also feeds millions of others around the world.

Many other nations have observed the invaluable benefit of Extension to our agricultural progress and attempted to follow our model.

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County Extension agents are an integral link in the chain of transfer of technology. Their roles have changed dramatically as agriculture has changed. They are involved in transferring a wide range of subject matter of agricultural knowledge, from crop and livestock production to food safety and preparation to community development. This information is of value not only to rural but to urban residents as well. This information is often of critical importance to individuals and families and the only source for it is Extension. Thus, the county agents are a very important part of the county's resources and services.

It is a huge job for a county agent to be knowledgeable on the vast number of issues and information just in his or her own disciplinary area. With Extension involved in several disciplines, it is easy to see the need for more than one agent.

The 3-way governmental partnership (federal, state and local) has been instrumental to Extension's success and the flow of technology. Therefore, we feel it is appropriate and needed that the state give counties with only one agent the opportunity to add a second agent and to contribute toward the salary of the second agent.

Our Association's members are among the private sector partners of Extension, working to multiply the agents' time by communicating Extension information to others. Extension also uses mass media very effectively, but many counties who have experienced a one-agent situation have found that no matter how effective and efficient the agent, there aren't enough hours in the day to begin to meet the demands on his/her time.

That those counties have worked so hard for this legislation is perhaps its best testimony.

I'd be happy to respond to any questions you may have.

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