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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Appropriations

The meeting was called to order by Bill Bunten at
Chairperson

11:30 a.m./~~pm~~ on April 7, 1989 in room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representatives Moomaw and Francisco (both excused)

Committee staff present: Ellen Piekalkiewicz, Debra Duncan, Alan Conroy,
Paul West, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jim Wilson, Revisor of Statutes
Sharon Schwartz, Administrative Aide
Meg Patton, Acting Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: See attached list.

SB 32 - Multiyear appropriations for FY90 and FY91, for historical society and Wichita state university.

Representative Heinemann moved to amend SB 32 in line 77 by striking \$2,000,000 and inserting \$1,900,000 and in line 78, by striking \$4,000,000 and inserting \$4,100,000 which would appropriate \$100,000 for FY90 to fund a campus utilities study at Wichita State University. Representative Chronister seconded. Motion carried.

Representative Helgerson questioned if the funding in SB 32 for the center for historical research would be adequate, or if the historical society would return in following years for more funds to complete the project. Representative Kline stated the plans had been redrawn so the building could be built for the funds which are in the Governor's recommendations. Representative Chronister stated there is a project to put all the records, such as newspapers, on microfilm which will take ten years, but should alleviate some of the space problems. Representative Hensley stated the bill does not address the main problem, which is the need for storage.

Representative Wisdom moved to amend SB 32 by adding \$265,000 for the School for the Deaf to begin the first year of a three-year project to replace or make extensive renovations to Emery Hall, the elementary school and dormitory. Representative Lowther seconded.

Representative Wisdom noted an architectural study funded by the Legislature in 1984 described problems in Emery Hall related to heating, plumbing, air conditioning, architectural barriers, space requirements, and structural defects. The study identified three options: (1) replace the building, at a cost of \$5,390,000; (2) make extensive renovations, at a cost of \$5,080,000; or (3) renovate Emery Hall to comply with codes but not to enhance the building, at a cost of \$1,770,000. Representative Chronister does not support the addition of these funds when the project has not been recommended by the Joint Committee on State Building Construction. She noted the policy of this Committee is not to appropriate planning funds unless construction is scheduled the next year. Representative Shriver questioned the need for a Joint State Building Committee when recommendations on building projects are not received by the Legislature in a timely manner. He has considered asking to abolish the State Building Committee and returning to the appropriations procedures of the past. On Representative Wisdom's motion adding \$265,000, the motion failed.

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room 514-S, Statehouse, at 11:30 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on April 7, 1989.

Representative Chronister moved that SB 32, as amended, be recommended favorably for passage. Representative Pottorff seconded. Motion carried. Representative Helgerson is recorded as voting "no."

Chairman Buntten announced the Committee may be called to work on April 20 and 21 to take action on the bills recently referred to Appropriations.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

