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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The meeting was called to order by Don E. Crumbaker at  
Chairperson

2:30 ~~a.m.~~/p.m. on April 5, 1989 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representatives Hensley and David Miller, excused.

Committee staff present:

Avis Swartzman, Revisor of Statutes' Office  
Thelma Canaday, Secretary to the Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Ms. Patti Slider, Kansas Bar Association  
Ms. Connie Hubbell, State Board of Education

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don E. Crumbaker.

The chairman drew attention to a printout distributed by Mr. Dale Dennis showing the 1-year averaging with 2% - 5% budget limitations.

Hearings were opened by the chairman on HCR 5023 concerning a resolution commending school districts which provide civic and law-related education programs for their students and urging other school districts to do the same.

The chairman called on Mr. Ron Smith who introduced Ms. Patti Slider to speak to HCR 5023.

Ms. Slider showed the committee samples of materials that are provided free to all teachers in the state. Ms. Slider encouraged adoption of HCR 5023 and pointed out there proved to be a reduction in juvenile delinquency and a greater respect for authority in schools where the law-related education program had been initiated.

Ms. Connie Hubbell testified in support of HCR 5023. Ms. Hubbell said Kansas and the State Department of Education feels that all citizens need to know how law affects them and how they can affect the law. Ms. Hubbell pointed out law-related education provides elementary and secondary students with the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for informed responsible participation as citizens of the State of Kansas. Ms. Hubbell said there are presently 8 pilot programs in the State of Kansas using the resources provided by the Kansas Bar Association.

After a time of discussion the hearings on HCR 5023 were closed by the chairman.

The chairman asked if the committee wished to act on HCR 5023.

Representative Williams moved to strike the word "democracy" in line 41 and insert the word "Republic". Seconded by Representative Smith. Motions carried.

Representative R. D. Miller moved the adoption of HCR 5023 as amended. Seconded by Representative Lowther. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned by the chairman at 2:58 p.m.

