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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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

3:30 ~~am~~/p.m. on March 21, 1990 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative David Miller and Representative Katha Hurt, excused

Committee staff present:

Avis Swartzman, Revisor of Statutes Office  
Ben Barrett, Legislative Research  
Thelma Canaday, Secretary to the Committee

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Ms. Denny Apt, Education Advisor to the Governor  
Mr. Jim Edwards, Kansas Chamber of Commerce & Industry  
Mr. Onan Burnett, representing USD 501, United School Administrators, Kansas Association of School Boards, Kansas National Education Association, Schools for Quality Education, Schools for Equal Education in Kansas, Blue Valley USD 229, Wichita USD 259, Shawnee Mission USD 512  
Representative Bowden

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Crumbaker.

The chairman opened hearings on SCR 1630, a resolution urging school districts to establish business-education partnerships.

Denny Apt testified in favor of SCR 1630. Ms. Apt quoted from the governor's State of the State address when he said he strongly endorsed the potential for partnership between business and education. (Attachment 1)

Mr. Jim Edwards spoke in support of SCR 1630. Mr. Edwards pointed out there are partnership programs in existence in Kansas already and gave examples of Pizza Hut's reading program and Bauersfeld's school grant program. Mr. Edwards said SCR 1630 would assist in fostering business/education partnerships in those districts that do not have current programs. (Attachment 2)

Mr. Burnett testified on behalf of nine school districts and organizations (Attachment 3). Mr. Burnett said business involvement in education is an important element in school improvement in any district.

The chairman closed hearings on SCR 1630.

Hearings on SB 564, concerning a midwestern higher education compact, were opened by the chairman.

Representative Bowden testified in favor of SB 564. He said SB 564 is like HB 2811 which was heard in committee earlier except for the composition of the five members who would represent the state of Kansas should the Commission be activated. Representative Bowden said initially a member of the Board of Regents was to be a member of the Commission but the State Board requested it to be changed so the State Board could select someone to represent the Board of Regents. Mr. Bowden also pointed out if Kansas is the first of the states to join the compact by passing legislation this session it would put Kansas in a favorable position to have the Commission located in Kansas.

Hearings on SB 564 were closed by Chairman Crumbaker.

The chairman opened discussion on SB 607 and reviewed what had been done last year in regard to increased credit hour aid for community colleges. The bill last year

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provided for a \$1.00 increase for 5 years taking the minimum from \$14.00 to \$19.00 and took the lid off the top. SB 607 is different in that it raises the top from \$22.00 to \$24.00. Chairman Crumbaker recommended that a \$2.00 increase be made on the minimum, an additional \$2.00 increase be made next year, and \$1.00 increase the following year to make the minimum \$19.00 and take the lid off the top. The chairman asked for discussion.

Representative Empson moved to amend SB 607 to increase \$2.00 this year, \$2.00 next year and \$1.00 the following year to \$19.00 minimum in a 3-year time and take the lid off the top. Representative Larkin seconded the motion. During the discussion Representative Reardon offered a substitute motion to leave SB 607 in the present form as presented by Representative Empson but allow the ceiling cap to be maintained as in the present bill passed by the Senate. Representative Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion carried. Representative Empson moved to pass favorably SB 607 as amended. Seconded by Representative Larkin. Motion carried.

The chairman opened discussion on SB 659, concerning school districts, expenditures for purchases occasioned by loss covered.

After a long period of discussion Representative Blumenthal moved to pass SB 659 favorably. Seconded by Representative Pottorff. Motion carried.

The chairman asked the committee if they wished to act on SCR 1630 and SB 564.

Vice-chairman Empson moved to pass SCR 1630 favorably. Representative R. D. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Representative Bowden moved to pass SB 564 favorably. Seconded by Representative Wiard. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned by the chairman at 4:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be March 26, 1990 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 519S.



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TESTIMONY ON SCR 1630  
Denise C. Apt  
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House Education Committee  
March 21, 1990

Mr. Chairman, members of the Committee. I appreciate the opportunity to submit testimony on SCR 1630 on behalf of the governor.

The governor commends the authors of SCR 1630 and wholeheartedly endorses the concept of SCR 1630.

Business and education partnerships are extremely important to Kansas, both from an education and economic development standpoint.

The governor made reference to these partnerships in the State of the State, and I quote:

"The Governor's Conference on Education, the first in recent history, has set the stage for Kansans to make the appropriate choices for education. The Wichita conference hosted 250 leaders from the fields of education, business, industry and agriculture to discuss the status of education and problems which need to be addressed.

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One idea discussed at great length at the conference, and which I strongly endorse, concerns the potential for partnership between business and education. There already exist many such partnerships in Kansas, but my goal is to have such a partnership in place in every school district and every school within five years.

To promote this goal, I propose a Second Annual Governor's Conference on Education, to be held in 1990 to address partnerships between business, agriculture and education. I also will restructure my Public School Advisory Committee to include members of the business and agricultural communities. I believe that when leaders with different interests sit down to talk, common goals may be achieved."

Again, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony. I would ask on behalf of the governor for favorable passage of SCR 1630.

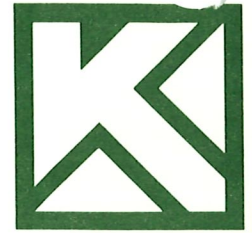
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# LEGISLATIVE TESTIMONY

## Kansas Chamber of Commerce and Industry

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A consolidation of the  
Kansas State Chamber  
of Commerce,  
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of Kansas,  
Kansas Retail Council

SCR 1630

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### KANSAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

Testimony Before the  
House Education Committee

by

Jim Edwards  
Director of Chamber and Association Relations

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee:

I am Jim Edwards and I appear before you today representing KCCI in their support of SCR 1630, a resolution which would encourage school districts to form business/education partnerships.

The Kansas Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI) is a statewide organization dedicated to the promotion of economic growth and job creation within Kansas, and to the protection and support of the private competitive enterprise system.

KCCI is comprised of more than 3,000 businesses which includes 200 local and regional chambers of commerce and trade organizations which represent over 161,000 business men and women. The organization represents both large and small employers in Kansas, with 55% of KCCI's members having less than 25 employees, and 86% having less than 100 employees. KCCI receives no government funding.

The KCCI Board of Directors establishes policies through the work of hundreds of the organization's members who make up its various committees. These policies are the guiding principles of the organization and translate into views such as those expressed here.

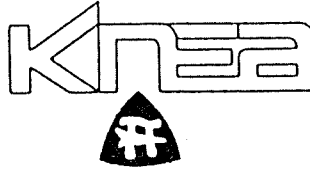
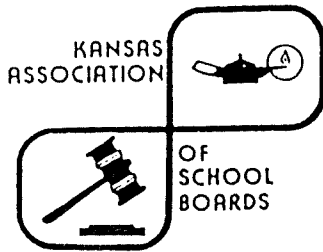
There are many partnership programs in existence in Kansas today. Some, such as Pizza Hut's reading program, are between the business and a student. Others, such as

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Bauersfeld's school grant program, provide for links between their store and a school building. Many others, like the adopt-a-school programs in various Kansas communities, focus on relationships between businesses and either entire school districts or portions thereof. As you can see, there is no magical formula for the programs in existence today. The bottom line is a desire by the businesses to be more involved with the educational system while enhancing the process.

SCR 1630 would assist in fostering business/education partnerships in those districts that do not have current programs and for this reason we urge your support. We also see SCR 1630 as a means by which other new and innovative partnerships can be started.

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today and we urge your support of SCR 1630. I would stand for questions.



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Joint Testimony on SCR 1630

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House Education Committee  
March 21, 1990

Presented By

United School Administrators  
Kansas Association of School Boards  
Kansas-National Education Association  
Schools for Quality Education  
Schools for Equal Education in Kansas  
Blue Valley USD 229  
Wichita USD 259  
Topeka USD 501  
Shawnee Mission USD 512

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am Onan Burnett and I represent USD 501. Today, however, my testimony represents the joint testimony of the school districts and organizations listed above. We appreciate this opportunity to visit with the committee about SCR 1630.

Business involvement in education is an important element in school improvement in any district. Schools need the support of the business community and can benefit from the expertise that businesses can provide. Just a positive attitude by the business community can be passed on to the workers which bring that home and can be passed on to the students. Attendance at parent-teacher conferences, parent volunteering for school activities, and parent encouragement to do homework (all important items) are usually enhanced when there is a good business-education partnership.

Our organizations encourage the legislature to pass SCR 1630 and add its endorsement to business-education partnerships in our state. Thank you for listening to our thoughts.

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