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Date

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Federal and State Affairs

The meeting was called to order by Sen. Edward F. Reilly, Jr. at
Chairperson

11:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on January 24, 1991 in room 254-E of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Legislative Research Department
Mary Torrence, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Deanna Willard, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Reilly called the meeting to order and welcomed back the committee members and staff.

A briefing was given by staff on three bills that came out of the Joint Committee on Arts and Cultural Resources. A copy of the report of said committee was distributed and is on file in the office of the Chairman of the Federal and State Affairs Committee.

The Joint Committee has completed its second year of existence; currently the chairmanship is rotated each year. It has been suggested that the chairman be appointed by said committee.

Staff said that Topic II led to SB 6 - concerning state acquisition of historic property. Current law provides that the State Historic Sites Review Board must review and make recommendations concerning applications for acquisition of historic sites. It was felt that this is not appropriate as the decision must lie with the Governor and Legislature based on funding priorities.

Topic III pertains to SB 7 - relating to disposition of certain state historical society property. This bill would include the intent of SB 499 which would allow property to be donated by the historical society and would expand the type of property eligible for deaccession. It also provides that the historical society develop detailed policies regarding deaccession for approval by the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations.

Topic IV pertains to SB 5 - concerning certain records of governors. There has been concern that there is not a central records center. This bill would provide that all private papers of the Governor which relate to public duties be transferred to the State Historical Society upon the Governor's leaving office. It doesn't provide for transfer of past governors' records.

Dr. Ramon Powers, Executive Director, Kansas State Historical Society, said they were very pleased with the work of the Joint Committee on Arts and Cultural Resources, that they had been very thorough.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

