

Approved March 3, 1992  
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MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Economic Development

The meeting was called to order by Senator Dave Kerr at  
Chairperson

8:00 a.m./~~P.M.~~ on February 26, 1992 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Marge Petty (Excused)

Committee staff present:

Lynne Holt, Legislative Research Department  
Bill Edds, Revisor of Statutes' Office  
LaVonne Mumert, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

S.B. 485 - Authorizing the consolidation of area vocational schools or area vocational-technical schools with community colleges

Chairman Kerr said that one of the concerns mentioned during hearings on S.B. 485 was about categorical aid. He said he has been advised that a merged institution would continue to be eligible for state aid because that is not considered out-district tuition. It is state aid.

Senator Feleciano noted that he had some concerns about the possible effect on regents' institutions of the bill and proposed an amendment which would prohibit a merger without approval of the board of regents when a campus of a state educational institution is located in the same county as an area vocational-technical school. Chairman Kerr asked about reference to a "state educational institution". Ted Ayres (Board of Regents) advised that that is the language used in statute to refer to regents' institutions and that definition does not include any institutions other than regents institutions. Senator Feleciano moved that S.B. 485 be amended by adding: "No merger involving an area vocational school or area vocational-technical school located in any county in which there is also located the campus of a state educational institution shall occur unless the merger is specifically approved by the state board of regents". Senator Francisco seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Chairman Kerr noted that Senator Harder had relayed concern that the bill could affect the current statutory prohibition against a community college acquiring land outside its district. The Revisor mentioned that in order to be absolutely certain that S.B. 485 does not affect the current prohibition, a provision could be added to S.B. 485 that consolidation agreements are subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 71-201(d). Senator Feleciano made a conceptual motion that S.B. 485 be further amended to include the reference to K.S.A. 71-201(d). Senator Salisbury seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Senator Vidricksen moved that S.B. 485, as amended, be recommended favorably for passage. Senator McClure seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Senator McClure moved that the minutes of the meetings of February 21 and 25, 1992, be approved with the addition of indicating excused absences for Senator Brady and Senator Salisbury on February 21. Senator Oleen seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30. The next meeting of the Committee will be Tuesday, March 3, 1992.

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