

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND ELECTIONS.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Carol Dawson, at 9:00 a.m. on January 18, 1995 in Room 521-S of the Capitol.

All members were present:

Committee staff present: Carolyn Rampey, Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department
Arden Ensley, Revisor of Statutes
Donna Lutjohann, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Carol Williams, Ks. Commission on Governmental Standards and Conduct

Others attending: See attached list

The Chair recognized Carol Williams. She distributed the Commission's annual report for 1994 to the Committee. She requested legislation proposing changes in three different areas of the Commission. The first bill requested would change the current law in campaign finance regarding brochures made for candidates. Presently a candidate or an organization who prints a brochure to hand out or mail does not have to, by law, print 'paid for by.....' on it. Ms. Williams is requesting legislation that would require, by law, this statement printed on the brochure or announced in the media.

The second request for legislation was in regard to the conflict of interest law. Ms. Williams stated that there is a law prohibiting a state official or employee from using a mailing list obtained while employed with the State for personal gain. She stated there is no penalty for violating this law. A bill to correct this flaw was requested.

Legislation regarding the Campaign Finance Act was requested to officially define the word "Candidate". Currently, there is no legal definition.

On a motion by Rep. Benlon and seconded by Rep. O'Connor, the motion passed to introduce the requested legislation from Carol Williams.

The Chair requested the Committee introduce legislation that would allow the Kansas State Board of Agriculture to appoint the Secretary of Agriculture. Rep. Benlon made a motion to introduce the legislation. It was seconded by Rep. Chronister. The motion carried.

Chairman Dawson called the Committee's attention to the minutes of January 11 and 12, 1995. Rep. Chronister made a motion to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Rep. Cox. The motion carried. Announcements by the Chair were made and she adjourned the meeting at 9:19 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 19, 1995, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 521-S of the Capitol.

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NAME	REPRESENTING
DEBRA LEIB	COMMON CAUSE
Charlie Smithson	KCGSC
Carol Walker	KCGSC