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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Tim Emert at **11:00 a.m.** on March 27, 1995 in Room **521-S** of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Rock (excused)
Senator Petty (excused)
Senator Oleen (excused)
Senator Vancrum (excused)
Senator Moran (excused)

Committee staff present: Michael Heim, Legislative Research Department
Jerry Donaldson, Legislative Research Department
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes
Janice Brasher, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Marilyn Scafe, Appointee Kansas Parole Board

Others attending:

Confirmation of Marilyn Scafe for the Kansas Parole Board

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m., and welcomed Marilyn Scafe to the Committee.

Ms Scafe, referring to written information regarding her background, stated that she has experience as a probation/parole officer and both professionally and as a volunteer for a number of years. With that background, Ms Scafe stated that she is looking forward to the opportunity of bringing her experience to the position. Ms Scafe continued, that she also has business experience. She feels that there are some valuable lessons in that field to be utilized in the areas of problem solving, goal setting and group activity which she feels will be very appropriate in the number of hearings that she will be involved with. Ms Scafe acknowledged that the board is under transition in its role and tasks. Ms Scafe stated that in the month that she has been there, it appears there is quite a volume of work to be done. Ms Scafe emphasized that she considers each case very important, and will look at each case for its individual needs.

Questions from the Committee concerned the work load of the parole board being shifted to Topeka. Ms Scafe responded that right now the travel is real. Ms Scafe spoke of teleconferencing in some locations occurring in the future. The teleconferencing would reduce some travel, but not the number of hearings. In answer to question regarding her position as Director of a Community Service Program in Overland Park, Ms Scafe stated that she had resigned that position.

Motion was made by Senator Bond for favorable recommendation to the full Senate of Marilyn Scafe, second by Senator Parkinson. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes for February 16, 23, 24, March 13, 14, 16, and 17, was made by Senator Bond, second by Senator Reynolds. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled on call of the Chair.