

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS.

The meeting was called to order by Senator Carolyn Tillotson at 11:15 a.m. on February 7, 1996 in Room 254-E of the Capitol.

Members present were: Senator Oleen, Chair
Senator Tillotson, Vice Chair
Senator Jones, Ranking Minority Member
Senator Gooch
Senator Hensley
Senator Jordan
Senator Papay
Senator Praeger
Senator Ramirez
Senator Vidricksen
Senator Walker

Committee staff present: Mary Galligan, Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor
Nancy Wolff, Committee Secretary

Others attending: See attached list

Senator Tillotson introduced Cindy Lash, a member of the Legislative Post Audit staff who reviewed the Performance Audit Report relative to the Regulatory Activities of the Kansas Racing Commission. Following her review of the report, Senator Tillotson requested questions from the committee.

Senator Jones stated that a question came up during the interim last year as to whether the position of Director of Racing was necessary. Terry Hamblin, attorney for the Racing Commission responded that it was a very needed position but that the requirement of 10-years' experience coupled with a salary of \$40,000 had eliminated any applicants for the position. The Commission will be requesting legislation that will resolve the problem. Another open position is that of Inspector of Paramutuels and that position may only be filled by the Executive Director of the racing commission and applications have now been received and interviews are being conducted for the job. The question was also raised as to why there had been so many Executive Directors, five in seven years, with the response being that there had been a difference in philosophy with the commission and now that the position is being filled by Gubernatorial appointment, that situation should be rectified.

Senator Oleen announced that the Linton Report would be covered on Thursday, February 8 and the current Racing Commission would be responding to it. Senator Oleen also said that she had met with the Department of Administration with regard to **SB 474**, the Whistleblower Act and that the committee would continue their discussion of the bill on Thursday.

Senator Ramirez made a motion that the committee introduce a consitutional amendment and enabling legislation should the amendment be passed by the voters of Kansas which would cover electronic games of chance. Senator Jones seconded the motion. Senator Hensley requested clarification as to whether the motion also covered the enabling legislation for such a bill and whether hearings would be held on the bill when it was introduced. Senator Oleen stated that anytime legislation comes to the committee, anyone may request a hearing and it would be held. Senator Ramirez stated that his motion included the enabling legislation tied to the constitutional amendment and Senator Jones concurred with the second. The motion carried.

Senator Praeger made a motion that the minutes for January 30 and 31 be approved as printed and Senator Tillotson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

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NAME	REPRESENTING
Harren Baze	South East Kansas CASINO
Evelyn Baze	" " "
Bonnie Albright	" " "
Pam Lea Becking	" " "
Pat Sealale	" " "
Carl McDowell	Kansas Gaming Partners
Stephen A. Brubier	ANTI CASINO or Further Gambling
Karen Tolle	Kansas Quarter Horse Rng Assoc.
Frances Snell	Kansas Racing Comm
Richard A. Baker	Orbit Casino
Alan STEPPAT	PETE McOTTILL & ASSOCIATES
Kansas	Ks Coalition for Gaming Equity
Steve Montgomery	Ks. Greyhound Kennel Owners Assoc.
J. B.	Sunflower
Tom Brown	Attend AKSAC
Pam Egan	Kansas Lottery
Marion E. Skiff	Racing Commission
Gene Brander	K.R.C.
Steve Johnson	K.R.C.
Kerdy Hambrin	Racing Commission
Viviano Reveles	GT Forum of KS.
John Hanna	Associated Press
Wayne Stringer	Citizen FT Scott, KS
Cindy Lash	Post Audit
Bruce Rimbo	Woodlands
Comy Dewell	Pat Hubbell
Susan Longene	The Woodlands
Kenny Murphy	Westwood Kennel

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NAME	REPRESENTING
Frances Lind	SEK CASINO Pittsburg KS
Laura A. Ferlo	Business owner SEK CASINO 402 N. Broadway Pittsburg
Dave Schneider	Kansans For Life At Its Best
Donna A. Battelli	SEK Coalition Against Legalized Gambling
David Berry	" "
John H. Schmidt	" "
Mary Cash	" "
Norma Feagin	" "
Bill Feagin	" "
Bruce Bartelli	SEK Coalition Against Legalized Gambling
Josh C. Miller	SEK Coalition Against Leg. Gam.
Bill Denny	KS Thoroughbred Assoc
Kathleen Jensen	KS Thoroughbred Assoc