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MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Janice Hardenburger at 1:40 p.m. on January 28, 1997 in Room 529-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present: Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department
Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes
Bonnie Fritts, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Joyce Coker, Johnson Co. Board of Commissioners
Brad Bryant, Office of Secretary of State
Willie Martin, Sedgwick Co. Board of Commissioners
Rebecca Floyd, Kansas Development Finance Authority

Others attending: See attached list

Chairperson Hardenburger asked for approval of the minutes of January 27, 1997.

Senator Becker made a motion to approve the minutes. Senator Huelskamp seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chairperson Hardenburger asked for introduction of bills.

Joyce Coker appeared before the committee to request a committee bill to amend K.S.A. 19-2958 (Attachment 1). This would eliminate a 60 - 90 day comment period that is currently required before the county can amend its comprehensive plan and zoning regulations. She testified that Johnson County is the only county in Kansas with this requirement.

Senator Becker moved to introduce the bill as requested. Senator Steineger seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Brad Bryant requested introduction of a bill relating to advance voting. This bill would amend several statutes in article 11 of chapter 25. A list of amendments was submitted for the committee to review (Attachment 2).

There was discussion on how the bill currently works, what was left out of the legislation, and how this bill would resolve the problems and fill the gaps that exist.

Senator Lawrence made a motion to introduce the bill. Senator Vidricksen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Willie Martin appeared before the committee requesting introduction of a bill that allows counties to implement fees to operate sub-stations throughout the county for automobile licensing. She testified that the sub-stations in Sedgwick County currently process about 600,000 licenses annually with only a \$2.00 mailing fee being imposed.

Senator Lawrence moved to introduce the bill as requested. Senator Vidricksen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chairperson Hardenburger requested introduction of a bill in behalf of another legislator who could not attend the meeting. This bill would prevent a candidate from filing an early campaign contribution report. Preventing early filing would eliminate the possibility of receiving late contributions that may not get reported.

Senator Petty made a motion to introduce the bill. Senator Lawrence seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chairperson Hardenburger opened the hearing on SB 58.

SB 58

Concerning the Kansas development finance authority; relating to the board of directors thereof

Rebecca Floyd, General Counsel KDFA, testified before the committee in support of SB 58 amending K.S.A. 74-8903b (Attachment 3). This bill would eliminate the requirement that the secretary of commerce and housing serve on the Kansas Development Finance Authority board of directors as a statutory member. It also asks that the board be comprised of no less than three voting members representative of the general public, and that not more than three voting members shall be members of the same political party.

Ms. Floyd recommended the bill be amended by adding the word "voting" on line 24.

Senator Praeger moved the amendment. Senator Becker seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Senator Vidricksen moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. Senator Petty seconded the motion. The motion passed.

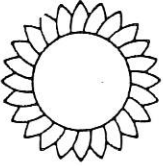
The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 29, 1997.

SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE GUEST LIST

DATE: 1/28/97

NAME	REPRESENTING
Heather Randall	Whitney Lamson, P.A.
Joyce Choe	Johnson County Council
Roger Krok	Johnson County Planning
Ren Floyd	Kansas Development Finance Authority
Doug Farmer	DOB
Cindy Deaton	DOB



January 28, 1997

REQUEST FOR BILL INTRODUCTION

Local Government Committee

Requested by Johnson County Board of Commissioners

Testimony of Joyce Coker, Johnson County Intergovernmental/ Community Relations Coordinator

Madam Chairman, members of the committee, my name is Joyce Coker, Intergovernmental and Community Relations coordinator for the Johnson County Board of Commissioners. I am appearing today on behalf of the board to request a committee bill to amend K.S.A. 19-2958.

State statute currently requires that Johnson County provide a 60- to 90-day comment period before amending its comprehensive plan and zoning regulations. Johnson County is the only county in the state that must meet this requirement. The County would like to eliminate this comment period so that the amount of time required to pass an amendment is consistent with the time required for other counties and cities in Kansas.

Presently, cities and counties in Kansas, including Johnson County, must give a 20-day notice of a public hearing to consider amendments to comprehensive plans, zoning regulations, and subdivision regulations. After the Planning Commission makes a recommendation, however, Johnson County is the only jurisdiction required to wait for an additional 60- to 90-day comment period before the County Commission can act.

The 20-day notice period prior to the public hearing provides adequate opportunity for cities and other affected parties to comment. As a matter of practice, the County corresponds in advance with interested parties and has encountered no resistance to the suggestion that the 60- to 90-day comment period be eliminated. We believe making this legislative change will allow for a smoother, more effective, and more convenient process.

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ATTACHMENT 1

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STATE OF KANSAS

Senate Committee on Elections and Local Government

Request for Introduction of Legislation

Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State
Elections and Legislative Matters

January 28, 1997

Madam Chair and Members of the Committee:

The Secretary of State's office requests introduction of a bill related to advance voting. This bill would amend several statutes in article 11 of chapter 25 to:

- extend advance voting to election day for sick and disabled voters,
- prevent distribution of multiple advance ballots by private groups,
- allow provisional voting during advance voting,
- allow unaffiliated primary election voters to affiliate with parties during advance voting,
- allow advance ballot applicants to fax their applications to the county election officer, and
- alter the format of advance ballots.

Thank you for your consideration.

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ATTACHMENT 2



KANSAS

KANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

Bill Graves
Governor

Wm. F. Caton
President

Testimony on Senate Bill 58
Prepared by Rebecca E. Floyd
Counsel to KDFFA
January 28, 1997

Senator Hardenburger, members of the committee, thank you for providing KDFFA the opportunity to present testimony on Senate Bill 58 (SB58). I am here on behalf of the Authority and KDFFA president, Bill Caton.

KDFFA seeks through SB58 to amend its enabling act, specifically, K.S.A. 1996 supp. 74-8903(b), to eliminate the requirement that the secretary of commerce and housing serve on the KDFFA board of directors as a statutory member.

KDFFA requests this change with the concurrence and direction of the entire KDFFA board.

The change is sought primarily because KDFFA and the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing ("KDOCH") are involved in separate aspects of certain housing programs.

KDFFA and KDOCH feel it is desirable that each entity retain a degree of independence from the other in evaluating the merits of these projects and the proposed financings.

Both KDFFA and KDOCH feel that the potential for conflict exists in certain instances.

Additionally, the bill seeks to clarify that the board shall be comprised of not less than

three *voting* members representative of the general public, and that not more than three *voting* members shall be members of the same political party. This is intended to make irrelevant the president of KDFFA's party affiliation for purposes of the board, since this individual serves as an *ex officio* non-voting member pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8903(g).

Finally, we would like for the bill if passed to take effect upon publication in the *Kansas Register*, rather than when published in the statute books.

Again, thank you for your attention and consideration of this bill.