

Approved: 4/27/00
Date by Chairman

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Representative Tony Powell at 1:30 p.m. on April 5, 2000 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Dahl, excused
Representative Edmonds, excused
Representative Findley, excused
Representative Freeborn, excused
Representative Henderson, excused
Representative Mason, excused
Representative Mays, excused
Representative Vickrey, excused

Committee staff present: Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes
Russell Mills, Legislative Research
Mary Galligan, Legislative Research
Winnie Crapson, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: None.

Others attending: See attached list.

Chairman Powell announced the scheduled informational meeting would not be held.

Chairman Powell requested the Committee refer to the meeting March 16 when the matter of interlocal agreements with Native American Tribes was discussed. It was his suggestion as a conceptual amendment to strike the provisions of **SB 543** and insert the provisions of Sections 1 and 2 of **SB 607** as passed out of committee. This would not be a substitute bill.

Representative Cox objected to identification of the Tribes by name. Chairman Powell said this referred only to interlocal agreements and would not bind the State in any way. If another tribe becomes involved, it could be amended. This will not impact the State's ability to negotiate with other tribes. **SB 607** was recommended by Joint Committee on State-Tribal Relations. Many local governments want the authority they do not have under current state law to negotiate agreements with the Tribes as they would with themselves. The Joint Committee believed this would be important. Counties could negotiate agreements with the Tribes concerning hospital service, ambulances, etc. The local agreements are subject to approval by the Attorney General. It would be totally permissive if they want such agreements.

Questions from committee members concerning the naming of the four tribes and the possibility that in the future additional tribes might be involved. Revisor Kiernan said the original definition was

Revisor Kiernan said the previous definition was "any Native American Indian Tribe which has entered into a gaming compact with the state of Kansas pursuant to K.S.A. 46-2302, and amendments thereto."

Move to offer a conceptual amendment, not a substitute bill, striking the provisions of SB 543 and adding the Sections 1 and 2 of SB 607 as passed out of committee to SB 543. Representative Ruff seconded. Motion carried.

Representative Ruff moved that committee recommend SB543 as amended favorable for passage. Representative Klein seconded. Motion carried.

Without objection Minutes for March 20, March 21, March 27, March 28, March 29 and March 30 are approved as circulated.

Meeting adjourned. No further meeting scheduled.

