

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barbara P. Allen at 1:30 p.m. on February 6, 2001 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Mike Heim, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Ken Wilke, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Nancy Kirkwood, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Jonathan Small, National Multi Housing Council  
Sam Alpert, Executive Dir.- Heartland Apt Assoc.  
Ron Nolan, Nolan Real Estate Services, Inc.  
Clark Lindstrom, Apartment Association of Greater Wichita  
Karen France, Dir. Of Gov. Relations/ KS Ass. Of Realtors  
Sandy Jacquot, Legal counsel of Kansas Municipalities  
Martha New Smith, Executive Director of Kansas  
Manufactured Housing Association

Others attending: See attached list.

**Hearing on SB 89 - Enacting the anti-rent control act**

Jonathan Small, representing the National Multi Housing Council, testified in support of **SB 89** which would prevent any local unit of government from controlling the amount of rent charged for leasing private residential or commercial property. Mr. Small emphasized the difficulties caused by rent control and suggested that the best way to eliminate a housing shortage and to keep rents under control is to increase the supply of rental housing units. (Attachment 1)

Sam Alpert, Heartland Apartment Association, testified before the Committee in support of **SB 89** as outlined in his written testimony. (Attachment 2)

Ron Nolan, Nolan Real Estate Services, testified in support of **SB 89**. Mr. Nolan made reference to two examples of his real estate in his testimony, and noted that the ability to raise rent is the most critical factor in redevelopment of apartment communities like the examples he gave. (Attachment 3)

Clark Lindstrom, representing the Apartment Association of Greater Wichita, testified before the Committee in support of **SB 89** as outlined in his written testimony. (Attachment 4)

Karen France, Dir. Of Gov. Relations/ KS Assn. Of Realtors, introduced Bill Yanek, KAR Public Policy Coordinator, who testified before the Committee in support of **SB 89** and used New York as an example of a city which suffered negative impacts of rent control policies. (Attachment 5)

Martha Smith, Kansas Manufactured Housing Association, testified before Committee in support of **SB 89** as outlined in her written testimony. (Attachment 6)

Sandra Jacquot, League of Kansas Municipalities, testified before Committee in opposition of **SB 89** as outlined in her written testimony. (Attachment 7)

There being no others wishing to testify on **SB 89**, Chairperson Allen closed the hearing.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

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Ken Wilke gave a brief overview on the drafts drawn up regarding the reporting of lobbyist gifts as requested by committee. One of the drafts has language changes; page 2, exempt from the reporting requirements any gift with a fair market value of \$25 or less.

The second draft basically follows the current relative to the hospitality and remove the reporting of gifts that have been provided to all members of the legislature, all member of the house, all member of the political caucus, all member of party caucus of either house.

On a motion by Senator O'Connor to amend the first draft to reflect "has a value of \$25 or less", Senator Gooch seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **SB 125 - technical clean up amendments to election laws.**

Ken Wilke, Office of the Revisor of Statutes stated there were a couple of technical errors, page 4 line 17 the word "is" should read "if" after "or", and, on page 7 line 26 the line should be deleted.

Senator O'Connor made a motion to amend SB 125 and pass out favorably. Senator Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **SB 47 - consideration of objections in election controversies**

Senator Clark made a motion to pass out SB 47 favorably. Senator Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **SB 114 - campaign contributions; use of to reimbursement of governor's spouse under certain circumstances.**

Senator Clark made a motion to amend SB 114 line 22 remove governor and replace with office holder's and every line that says governor replace with office holder. Senator O'Connor seconded the motion  
A division requested the vote was 6 Yeas and 3 Nays. The motion carried.

On the amended SB 114 Senator O'Connor made a motion to correct the title on line 10 and strike the "."  
Senator Clark seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Senator Clark made a motion to pass SB 114 as amended, seconded by Senator O'Connor. The motion carried.

### **SB 107 - petition sufficiency; duty of county or district attorney**

Senator Clark distributed a balloon with the changes he had requested from the Revisor (Attachment 8).

Senator Clark made a motion to move the amendment as proposed. Senator O'Connor seconded the motion.  
The motion carried.

Senator Clark made a motion to pass SB 107 as amended, seconded by Senator O'Connor. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 7, 2001.