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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephen Morris at 10:40 a.m. on February 12, 2003, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present

Committee staff present:

Alan Conroy, Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department
J. G. Scott, Chief Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Debra Hollon, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michael Corrigan, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
Judy Bromich, Administrative Assistant
Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Chad Luce, Public Information Officer, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks

Others attending: See attached list

Copies of the Kansas Legislative Research Department Budget Analysis Report for FY 2003 and FY 2004 were distributed to the committee.

Subcommittee reports on:

State Hospitals (Attachment 1)

Subcommittee Chairman Morris reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the recommendation of the Governor with notations and observations for FY 2003.

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Mental Health Institutions (Attachment 2)

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Developmental Disability Institutions (Attachment 3)

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Senator Feleciano moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the State Hospitals, Mental Health Institutions and Developmental Disability Institutions for the FY 2003 and FY 2004 budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.

CONTINUATION SHEET

Bill Introduction

Senator Jackson moved, with a second by Senator Schodorf, to introduce a bill authorizing operation of slot machines and other casino games at certain locations. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairman Morris called the committee's attention to discussion of:

SB 45--Application fee imposed on defendant entitled to indigent defense services

The Chairman welcomed Pat Scalia, Executive Director, State Board of Indigents' Defense Services, who explained a balloon amendment to **SB 45** (Attachment 4). Senator Schodorf moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, the balloon amendment to SB 45. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Schodorf moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to recommend SB 45 favorable for passage as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Chairman Morris opened the public hearing on:

SB 43--Wildlife and Parks: Service fees

Staff briefed the committee on the bill.

Chad Luce, Public Information Officer, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, spoke in favor of **SB 43** (Attachment 5). Mr. Luce explained that the bill would increase the service charge fee that vendors, including county clerks, and the department receive for selling licenses, permits and stamps from \$0.50 cents to \$1.00 and from \$0.25 cents to \$0.50 on the sale of migratory waterfowl stamps. He noted that the \$0.50 cent fee has been in place since 1989. Mr. Luce noted that the bill is one of the department's initiatives and is also supported by the Kansas County Clerks and Election Officials Association and a copy of a letter from them was attached to his testimony.

There being no further conferees to come before the committee, the Chairman closed the public hearing on **SB 43**. Committee discussion followed regarding clarification of the fiscal note. Chairman Morris requested a breakdown of what dollars the counties have received in both the calendar year and FY 2004 at some point.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2003.