

MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Brungardt at 10:30 a.m. on March 9, 2006 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Hensley - excused
Senator O'Connor - excused
Senator Vratil - excused

Committee staff present:

Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Connie Burns, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Teichman
Representative McKinney
Debbie Mangen

Others attending:

See attached list.

Bill Introductions:

Senator Barnett appeared before the committee to request a bill introduction that would provided a tax credit on capitol investments.

Senator Vratil made the motion that the request should be introduces as a committee bill. Senator O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

HB 2595 - Kansas 9/11 memorial

Chairman Brungardt opened the hearing on **HB 2595**.

Senator Ruth Teichman, appeared in support of the bill. (No written testimony provided) She asked for the support of the committee to pass the bill.

Debbie Mangen, spoke in support of the bill. (Attachment 1) The Anthony 9-11 committee feels that the memorial is a wonderful asset to the state of Kansas and the nation, and asked the committee to pass this bill and make the Anthony Sept. 11th Memorial the official and permanent 9-11 Memorial in the state of Kansas.

Representative Dennis McKinney, spoke in favor of the bill. (No written testimony provided) He felt that the rural community and county have worked very hard in a grass-roots effort to build the memorial. The memorial would be a highlight attraction for the state.

Representative Bill McCreary provided written testimony in support of the bill. (Attachment 2)

Chairman Brungardt closed the hearing on **HB 2595**.

Final action:

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Senator Ostmeyer moved to pass HB 2595 out favorably. Senator Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am. The next scheduled meeting is March 10, 2006.